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Palestinian uprising rocks Israel's economy

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The intifada reduced the business sector's production by 1.5%, but this was less than was previously feared, Bruno said.

The $650 million losses in exports included $280 million in tourist dollars that the intifada kept out of the country. Exports fell by 4.2% and tourism by 15% in 1988, the report said.

Israeli exports to the territories fell by about 40%, while imports from the territories dropped by 48%. Israel's "trade surplus" with the West Bank and Gaza decreased by 76% to a total of $42 million.

Although the number of Palestinians working in Israel rose last year to 109,000 — compared to an average of 103,000 in the previous two years — absenteeism increased markedly. The Palestinians' sporadic strikes caused a 25% decrease in the effective supply of workers from the territories.

However, the brief and frequent strikes had little effect on the Israeli economy, as employers, especially in the building sector, adapted quickly to the loss of workers. The depleted workforce was called on to work harder, and their increased productivity made up for the loss of the Palestinian employees, the report said. The shrinking of the labor supply also resulted in a 10% salary rise for Arab workers who remained on the job.

The bank said this rise in wages had a "negative effect" on the economy. Before the intifada, economic integration of the territories with Israel had been proceeding rapidly. Employment of Palestinians in Israel rose by 30% between 1982, compared to an 8% increase in Israeli workers. On the eve of the intifada, workers from the West Bank and Gaza represented 11% of all those employed in the business sector. Two-thirds of these workers were unskilled, and a number of industries were highly dependent on them.

To prevent further damage to the economy, the Bank recommended greater mechanization of industry, the shutting down of production lines that rely heavily on unskilled workers, and the limited import of unskilled foreign workers.

Frum "medicine man" serves three native reserves

By
MYRON LOVE

HODGSON, Man. —

There aren't too many yeshiva bochers working as doctors in a rural clinic serving three Indian reserves and planning aliya to boot. But Dr. Joel Labovitch is one of them.

The Winnipegger, who's in his late 20s, is one of four resident physicians at the Percy Moore Community Hospital in Hodgson, Man. The 16-bed hospital and clinic in this small community two hours northwest of Winnipeg serves an area of 3,500 square miles which includes the three reserves.

"People in (Winnipeg) are only exposed superficially to the native people in the core area," says Labovitch. "They have a biased viewpoint. If you really want to know and see native people, you have to visit a reserve."

There has been no reaction to his kipa and tsitsit. "We live in a day and age when anything anybody does is respected whether it's good or bad, said Labovitch. "In this case, it's good."

This is his second tour of duty in Hodgson. Much has changed in his life since his first stay here in 1985-86.

Labovitch grew up a secular Jew in north Winnipeg. He was troubled by the common conflicts young Jews often face — they do not receive a good grounding in Judaism, yet are expected to marry within the faith. "I wanted to find out what was going on here," he said.

In 1980, he travelled to Europe and Israel, where he spent a week in a yeshiva. "It was my first exposure to a real Jewish education," he says. "After I got back home and into medical school, I continued reading and studying my religion."

He graduated in 1984 and went to Dalhousie, in Halifax, for a year of internship. He had already worked with the University of Manitoba's Northern Medical Unit. On his return from Dalhousie, there was an opening at the Hodgson hospital. "It was within reachable distance of Winnipeg."

After a year, he left to return to a yeshiva in Israel.

It was a new Dr. Joel Labovitch who returned to Hodgson last fall. He brought with him his new wife Meira (they had their first child in May) and his new and more obvious commitment to Orthodoxy. He returned here because, he explained, "I know the people and they know me. I'm comfortable here."

Dr. Joel Labovitch (right) is seen on his wedding day in 1987 with his older brother, Yitzhak, in Ramat Eshkol in Jerusalem.

Labovitch and his family try to come into Winnipeg every Shabbes. In the winter, they make it in every second Shabbes.

Keeping kosher is no problem for them. He and Meira buy their milk at Eliyohu's, a Lubavitch-affiliated store in north Winnipeg, and import their meat from Montreal. They buy fruits and vegetables, canned and dry goods at the local IGA. "Most of the dried and canned goods have hechshers," said Labovitch.

At the beginning of July, the Labovitches are going back to a yeshiva in Israel. They plan to spend the next few years studying for six months in Israel and spending the rest of the year in Hodgson. Eventually their goal is to settle in Israel.

Jobless rate hits 8.2% — the highest in two decades

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Unemployment hit its highest level for over two decades in the first three months of 1989, reaching 8.2% of the civilian labor force.

Figures released last week by the Central Bureau of Statistics showed that the rate of unemployment rose rapidly over the last few months as the recession deepened. At the beginning of 1988 the rate stood at 5.9%, rising to 6.8% for the last quarter of 1988. This means that in the first three months of this year, unemployment surged by 1.4% points.

The bureau figures also showed that unemployment among women reached new highs in the first three months of 1989. One woman in 10 in the labor force was out of a job in the first quarter of the year. For men the rate of unemployment rose from 5.9% in October-December, 1988, to 6.7% in the first three months of 1989.

Herzog address

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

President Chaim Herzog will address a joint session of the Canadian Parliament in his upcoming trip to Ottawa at the end of June. The address to the Canadian Senate and House of Commons is usually reserved for heads of NATO countries or states with especially close relations with Canada, and is seen in Jerusalem as part of a Canadian effort to mollify Israel following Canada's decision to upgrade its relations with the PLO.

Faux pas

TOLEDO, Spain (JTA) —

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir recently prevented a faux pas from escalating into a political disaster between Israel and Spain, which established full diplomatic relations only three years ago.

The incident occurred during Shamir's recent visit here, in the Parador, the elegant state-run guest house overlooking the ancient part of Toledo, which is known for its rich Jewish heritage.

There the visiting Israeli Premier was served a breakfast of bacon and eggs, which he firmly but politely declined.

Shamir's hosts apologized profusely for the inadvertent serving of the non-kosher dish. They explained that the chef was not aware of the Jewish dietary laws.

It was a serious embarrassment. But the Prime Minister prevented a lapse of etiquette from turning into a diplomatic crisis, apparently recognizing that what might have been taken as an affront was merely a mistake stemming from ignorance.

Shamir arrived here by helicopter from Madrid, where he had meetings with Spanish government leaders.

The breakfast was hosted by local and regional dignitaries, including members of a committee preparing the events for "Rediscovering Jewish Spain."

That will be an important part of the year-long national celebration in 1992 marking the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' discovery of the New World.

The voyage of discovery in 1492 coincided with the expulsion of the Jews from Spain by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella.

There haven't been many Jews in Toledo for 500 years. But their forebears left impressive monuments. Shamir and his entourage were escorted to some of them, including the famous El Transito Synagogue and the home of Rabbi Shmuel Halevi.

The Prime Minister, incidentally, did not go hungry. He was fortified on his sightseeing excursion by a hearty breakfast that included an abundant number of permissibly edible items.

Labor faction issues threat

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

A large segment of the Labor Knesset faction would favor leaving the government and seeking new elections if Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's opponents in the Likud succeed in their battle against the government's diplomatic initiative, according to highly-placed sources in Labor.

There is virtual consensus among Labor's ministers that if the three Likud ministers challenging Shamir — Ariel Sharon, David Levy and Yitzhak Moda'i — win a majority in the Likud central committee for a proposal either rejecting the plan or imposing conditions on it, Labor should leave the government even if Shamir does not resign.

"If the Likud committee tampers with the plan there would be no point to our staying in the government," Minister Moshe Shahal said. He added that any attempt "to change the nature" of the plan — such as ruling out the participation of East Jerusalem Arabs or rejecting an exchange of "territories for peace" — would be tantamount to rejection of the plan.

In such an eventuality, most of the Labor ministers — with the possible exception of Vice Premier Shimon Peres — would prefer new elections. The sources said that Peres is presently undecided on whether to push for a narrow government headed by Labor or new elections — which would probably forestall the challenge being mounted to Peres's leadership of the party.

Dovish Labor sources said that the opponents of the government in the party's Knesset faction were preparing to "force the party's hand" in case their ministers "allowed the status quo to continue for more than a few months " without progress on the diplomatic initiative.

A group of 17 Labor Knesset members — calling themselves Force 17 — are conducting regular meetings aimed at coordinating a possible move to force a vote in the Knesset faction to leave the government.

The group — which includes Uzi Baram, Yossi Beilin, Haim Ramon and Avraham Burg — comprises a bare majority of the party's Knesset members who are not cabinet ministers.

"Although a decision by the party's faction to leave the government would not bind the party, it would have a tremendous moral impact," said one member of the group.

BB HEAD

Moishe Smith, of Ottawa, was installed this week as the new president of B'nai B'rith Canada, at the annual BBC convention near Quebec City. Another convention story on page 4.

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World-National

Jews forgetting past lessons

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Just 50 years ago, at this time of year, the "Voyage of the Condemned" took place, the ill-fated journey of the steamship St. Louis. It had set out from Hamburg in mid-May 1939 with its more than 900 Jews from Germany. They had had valid visas for Cuba, but when they reached Havana the visas were declared null and void and the refugees were not allowed to disembark.

Rabbi Plaut

Frantic pleas were made to Central and South American regimes to allow the passengers to reach a safe haven — in vain. The United States was equally negative and so was Canada. Although a number of Torontonians pleaded with Prime Minister Mackenzie King to let the unfortunates into Canada, he turned a deaf ear to the request and referred the matter to the odious Fred Blair who headed the immigration portfolio. That was the man who, when asked how many Jews should be allowed to enter, said: "None is too many." (Irving Abella and Hershel Troper have made that phrase the title of their famous book.) In the end, the St. Louis was forced to return to Europe. Some passengers were taken by Holland, others by England, and all too many were hurled back into the jaws of the Nazi death machine.

Given that bitter anniversary, and given our long history of wandering from land to land in search of a home, we Jews ought to be in the forefront of fighting for refugees, for preserving their rights, and for holding Canada to its obligations under the refugee convention. Certainly that expectation holds true for a good many Jews who will be found in the leadership of such organizations as the Canadian Council for Refugees, Amnesty International, and assorted groups which are pledged to protect the right of people in flight from oppression.

New laws

But there are also many (all too many!) Jews who have already forgotten the lessons of the past, who have forgotten what it meant to find — at last — a home in this country. Now that they are here they are profoundly uninterested in late-comers — unless they are Jews. This selective compassion stands in sharp contrast to their oft-heard complaint that "when we needed help the world was silent and no one cared." Will they take out their justified critique of humanity's past sins on today's refugees? And will today's wanderers be the ones who tomorrow point the finger at us and say: "Where were you when we cried for help? Why were you silent and turned away?"

Canada now has a new set of laws which are "designed to keep abusers out and let true refugees in" — in that order. The focus of the legislation is first and foremost on making our borders tight and secure against "unwanted" people (that is, those fleeing not personal persecution but war and poverty), and only then will we find out whether some co-called "convention refugees" are left over to deal with.

In my opinion this is precisely the wrong focus. Not border control but refugees must be our primary concern. I believe that it is our moral and legal responsibility first and foremost to find the persons who are in flight and only thereafter adjudge to the claims of others who want to stay here. Jews above all others should understand the implications of this skewed perspective and ought to be flaming advocates of a policy whose primary aim will be to turn no true refugees away from our borders.

The chief commissioner of the Immigration and Refugee Board, Gordon Fairweather, is a man with a fine record in the field of human rights. He has pledged to administer the legislation fairly and expeditiously. His Board has indeed given an indication that, despite a seriously flawed law, a lot can be done through administrative means to give Canada a more open and generous refugee process. Our minister of employment and immigration, Barbara McDougall, should be encouraged to follow the Fairweather lead.

Next step up to Arafat, Baker says

U.S. pressing PLO on election plan

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Secretary of State James Baker says the United States is actively pressing the Palestine Liberation Organization in Tunis to give "the green light" to Palestinians living on the West Bank and Gaza to accept Israel's proposal for autonomy elections as part of a broader political peace negotiation.

In a recent television interview, Baker praised Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's election proposal, while acknowledging that the U.S. and Israel still differ over various aspects of the plan.

The secretary again defended his controversial speech before the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), insisting it was "balanced" (CJN June 1). He said that he agreed with Shamir's recent statement that U.S.-Israeli relations were very good despite long-existing differences on some territorial-related issues.

"One of the things I said in that speech, for instance, was that we think that Prime Minister Shamir's proposal for elections as part of a broader political negotiation was a very good proposal," Baker said. "We have some differences with some aspects of it. But as a vehicle for moving toward peace in the Middle East we think it was a very good effort and we're very pleased with it. And we want to try to follow up on that, and indeed we are following up on it."

Baker said the next step in the process involved convincing the PLO to accept the Israeli plan. "We are pressing the Palestinians in every way that we know how, through our dialogue in Tunis," he said. "Through our ambassador there, to the PLO, we have suggested to the PLO that they permit Palestinians in the occupied territories to engage with Israel on this question of elections."

Baker clearly wanted to underline that PLO-related element of his speech. "I'm glad you give me that opportunity here to make that plea publicly this morning," he said. "It's important that this elections proposal be followed up on. That means — one thing that will be required, of course, is that the PLO in Tunis give the green light to Palestinians in the territories to engage with Israel so that we can develop this proposal and move it into a broader political dialogue."

U.S. officials said Baker and other administration policymakers are convinced the Israeli elections proposal will never get off the ground unless the PLO in Tunis accepts it. The U.S. dialogue with the PLO, they said, is being used to press the PLO on this issue.

The Americans said Baker would also continue his efforts in Europe this week to enlist the support of America's NATO allies to encourage the PLO to go along with the plan.

Regarding his AIPAC speech, Baker said that "if you look at it in its entirety, [it] was very, very balanced and many, many people said they felt it was, including quite a few public commentators. And it was balanced.

"I suppose I would refer you back to Prime Minister Shamir's words where he said the policy differences which Secretary Baker cited have existed for quite a while — policy differences between the United States and Israel and yet the United States and Israel enjoy very, very good relations, and we do, and we will continue to."

Asked whether the Bush administration would appoint a special Middle East envoy, Baker replied: "No, because we're devoting a lot of attention to it ourselves. Frankly we don't think progress is made in the Middle East with high visibility initiatives. We think, until you till the ground carefully, sometimes those things can preempt more promising possibilities."

The Israeli ambassador to the United States, Moshe Arad, recently met with Dennis Ross, the director of the State Department's policy planning staff, to express Israel's disappointment in Baker's AIPAC speech.

Arad, who had requested the meeting, complained about the tone of the speech, especially its strong statements about Israel's need to "foreswear" annexation, stop settlements and abandon any vision of a Greater Israel.

The ambassador, according to Israeli officials, also said that Baker had failed to reaffirm several long-standing elements of U.S. policy, including opposition to any complete return to the pre-1967 lines and the need for "secure and recognized" borders for Israel.

Arad noted that there was no reference in the speech to the need for a unified Jerusalem — also a long-standing U.S. position.

Touvier's arrest may help end France's vow of silence

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

And now, mesdames and messieurs, we await the other shoe. French authorities, having long sought the Nazi collaborator Paul Touvier, found him — not surprisingly — hiding in a Roman Catholic priory in Nice. The other shoe? Oh yes, the arrest of church officials and others who for years have hidden Touvier.

Such an event is not likely to happen. France, more than most countries occupied by the Nazis, has successfully obscured the role of its World War II collaborators and traitors. It took Marcel Ophuls' 1969 film, The Sorrow and the Pity, to reveal to the French what historians have long known: Hardly everyone in France was a resistance fighter.

Touvier was certainly not one. An intelligence officer for the puppet Vichy regime, he was accused in 1973 of the deportation of French Jews to death camps and the torture and execution of French Resistance fighters. These are "crimes against humanity" for which, in neither France nor morality, no statute of limitations exists.

For Touvier, the 1973 indictment must have seemed, as Yogi Berra once put it, "deja vu all over again." Following the war, he was sentenced to death in absentia and remained in hiding until 1971 when he was pardoned by French president Georges Pompidou. Touvier then returned to Lyons where he recovered his property — "his property" being that which he once seized from doomed Jews. Two years later, he was indicted for "crimes against humanity" and again went into hiding.

More than Klaus Barbie, who was, after all, a German Gestapo officer, Touvier not only confronts France with its past, but its present as well. Ever since the end of World War II, he has reportedly been hidden by reactionary Catholics who might have been honoring a deal made by church authorities in 1944. In exchange for sparing the lives of 40 Catholics, Touvier was supposedly granted what amounted to lifetime sanctuary. The priory where he was found is run by followers of Msgr. Marcel Lefebvre, the arch-conservative cleric excommunicated by the Vatican last year.

What seems a tale out of history, mildewed with age and, therefore, irrelevant, is really nothing of the sort. The genocidal impulse is as contemporary as a Fax machine — a persistent problem in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and, now that Moscow's boot is off the neck of its ethnic republics, in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus as well. Not even in the case of Germany and Hitler was mass murder the work of one man or, even, one nationality. The Holocaust took the assistance of many peoples, some from nations we usually consider blameless or exemplary.

Of course, any nation has its goons. But France for years pretended otherwise and, except for some egregious examples of treason, refused to clean house. Instead, it accepted the myth propagated by Charles de Gaulle that the nation was united in its fight against Nazism. Maybe as a consequence, it is now plagued by the histrionic and racist movement headed by Jean-Marie Le Pen, whose anti-semitism is an embracing one. He hates both Jews and Arabs.

One can only imagine what would have happened if a Nazi war criminal had been found in a German prior. A scolding world would point a finger at Germany: There they go again. But Germany, as opposed to France or, for that matter, Austria, really has attempted to confront its history. France, until the current government of Francois Mitterrand, swaddled itself in comforting, and smug, myth.

But from Nice alone, where Touvier was found and where he once worked for the Nazis, some 5,000 Jews were deported to death camps. Such a task clearly required a network of collaborators, informants and volunteer killers. By verdict of the court, Touvier fit the bill. Yet, except for a short period, he was able to live in the very France he betrayed, shielded from justice by some of the same elements who once had doffed their berets to welcome the Nazis.

A trial, an accounting of those who harbored Touvier, would confront France with its past. It would educate a younger generation to the consequences of race hatred and unmask those who, in the name of doctrinaire religion or a perverted patriotism, helped the killers in their task. But France's justice minister, Pierre Arpaillange, issued something less than a ringing call for justice: "The possibility of charges of harboring a criminal will be discussed." The "possibility . . . will be discussed?" Why not just do it?

It is said that, from time to time, Touvier ventured from his sanctuary in the priory of St. Francis and walked the streets of Nice dressed as a priest. The garb he chose was a disguise for himself, but it would do for much of France as well. For too long, it has taken a vow of silence.

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Catholics criticize Israel

Scheininger attacks bishops' statement

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A statement by Catholic bishops on "the rights of the Palestinian people" was quickly criticized last week by Canadian Jewish Congress President Les Scheininger as "inherently biased."

"We are seriously upset by the one-sided position" adopted by the bishops, he said.

The statement by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, authored by Conference president Archbishop James Hayes, criticizes Israeli security forces for "violently repressing the popular movement which animates the intifada.

"Arbitrary arrests, detentions without trial, destruction of homes, the wounding and killing of hundreds of persons, often the young, have been added to the difficult living conditions which have lasted over numerous years."

The CCCB, which represents more than 100 bishops, calls on the Canadian government to undertake five steps to help solve the Mideast morass:

- foster all diplomatic steps to solve the situation, "including talks with the PLO."
- invite Israel "to modify its position in the difficult and necessary search for a lasting and complete peace based on justice and reconciliation."
- call on "Arab states to recognize Israel's right to live in peace within secure and recognized bounderies."
- show support for talks "between the representatives of the two peoples within the framework of an international conference."
- find ways to finance "development projects for Palestinian communities."

The bishops also "claim for the Palestinian people, in the same way as for the Jewish people, the right to a homeland."

Responding to the CCCB statement, Scheininger backed the bishops' call for an end to violence and recognition of Israel by its neighbors.

"However, many points raised in the statement ignore the more than 40-year painful, unacceptable situation and are asking the Canadian government to take steps to rectify it."

Archbishop James Hayes

The statement was balanced, Hayes said, and called for the recognition of the rights of both Jews and Arabs.

Manuel Prutschi, director of community relations for Congress, said the bishops' statement "is significant and troubling as it is the official view of the Canadian Catholic Church.

"The CCCB hasn't been particularly vocal in the past and has made no comments over the years regarding the Middle East and the threats Israel and its nationals have had to live through. Why now, and why do it with such a narrow focus without a broader view of the historical and geopolitical context?"

In a second letter to Hayes, B'nai B'rith Canada President Brian Feldman raised the fraternal group's objections to the bishops' statement, saying it was "unbalanced and perhaps naive."

BBC suggested the bishops might have asked the government to include in talks with the PLO the demand that it abandon violence, including the intifada.

"At the outset," Feldman writes, "(the bishops') message would gain credibility were (they) to call upon the Vatican itself to fully recognize the State of Israel as the modern Jewish state."

history of the Arab-Israeli conflict," Scheininger stated.

In a letter to Hayes, Scheininger said that the statement also ignores "the fact that Israeli forces have faced during these last 18 months violent and massive demonstrations involving rioting, fire-bombing, stabbings and shootings in which many Israeli soldiers and civilians have died. The tragic loss of life on both sides has been the direct result of Arab violence manifested in the intifada.

"Furthermore, while Lebanon is burning and while barbarous human rights abuses in many Arab countries continue, it is unfair to single out Israel. Human rights are indivisible. The rights of oppressed Jews of Syria and the murder of Jews in Lebanon and elsewhere must also be part of the human rights agenda in the Middle East."

Scheininger also points to "the single most difficult point that colors any reading of statements by official bodies of the Catholic Church...and that is the failure of the Vatican to extend diplomatic recognition to the State of Israel. It is long past due for this anomaly to be corrected."

He told The CJN that the bishops' letter "didn't really call for steps from the Palestinians. It was a rather simplistic approach and it failed to call on the Palestinians to end the intifada." That is the root cause of the violence, he added.

In a telephone interview from Mexico, Hayes said the statement was drafted because of the ongoing violence that "has been particularly noticeable lately....We see a very

Bronfman remark probed

TORONTO —

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police has received a complaint under Canada's anti-hate laws against Edgar Bronfman, president of the World Jewish Congress, for remarks he made in which he called Austrians "dirty, anti-semitic dogs."

The complaint, raised by a Toronto resident, was forwarded to the RCMP's Montreal office and from there to the Montreal police to determine whether a criminal investigation should be launched, RCMP staff sgt. John Beer told The CJN.

Bronfman's remarks in Montreal at the plenary assembly of the Canadian Jewish Congress were widely publicized. He said Austrian President Kurt Waldheim's role during World War II — he was an intelligence officer in the German army — made him "part and parcel of the Nazi killing machine."

Speculating on whether Waldheim might seek re-election, Bronfman said: "Let him run again. Let Austria decide whether it is a civilized country or the dirty anti-semitic dogs they have been."

The new Austrian ambassador to Ottawa, Kurt Herndl, said he was "flabbergasted" by the comments.

In a letter to Bronfman, provided to The CJN, Herndl wrote that "the charges which you continue to level against the Austrian head of state... have been found not to be true.

"All the investigations, including those conducted by Israeli authorities, by the International Commission of Historians and by a panel of...judges from different Western countries have come to the conclusion that our federal president is not guilty of any war crime.

"You would seem to prefer to ignore this evidence and instead continue to insult the Austrian people in a summary fashion."

Herndl also noted that Austria "ceased to exist in March 1938" (when Nazi Germany annexed it) and "in the following years Austrians were among the perpetrators, but they were also among the victims of Nazi crimes."

Bronfman was unavailable for comment.

Responding the ambassador's comments, Winnipeg lawyer David Matas, senior counsel for B'nai B'rith Canada, called Herndl's denial of Waldheim's complicity in war crimes "patently false."

In a letter to the Globe and Mail, Matas said "Those who have examined the charges against Waldheim have come to the opposite conclusion, that he was implicated in war crimes, not because he murdered someone with his bare hands, or ordered someone else to do that, but because he was an accessory to war crimes."

Matas said that was the position taken by Yitzhak Moda'i, Israel's former justice minister, and by the Israeli government, which replaced its ambassador to Austria with a lower ranked charge d'affaires, so he would not be in contact with Waldheim.

Calling Herndl's letter a "troubling one," he noted an ambassador to Canada should not spend his time defending an accused war criminal.

"The statement of the ambassador is eloquent testimony to the need for Waldheim to resign. By remaining president, he implicates his officials in his defence. His own corruption is leading to the misdirection of the whole Austrian administration. By resigning he would free his officials to act in the interests of the Austrian state rather than in his personal interest."

Bronfman's comments at the Congress plenary were not the first time the WJC official lashed out at Waldheim. Bronfman's comments at a WJC meeting in Budapest in May, 1987, when he said the Austrian president was "part and parcel of the Nazi killing machine," prompted a slander suit against him.

Waldheim eventually dropped the suit, saying he wished to contribute to calming down the atmosphere.

WJC executive director Elan Steinberg interpreted the move differently: "He was afraid of being cross-examined under oath."

Steinberg said the WCJ's findings on Waldheim "coincide with the conclusions of the historical commission, which found that Waldheim lied consistently about his past, was unquestionably a member of pre-war Nazi organizations and personally assisted Nazi war crimes."

In a previous article in The CJN, Matas noted Waldheim has been barred from entering the United States, which means U.S. authorities concluded the Austrian president participated in Nazi persecution.

The police investigation, however, appears to centre on whether Bronfman's remarks would promote hatred against the Austrian people. — P.L.

United Church condemns

OWEN SOUND, Ont. —

The Toronto Conference of the United Church of Canada here last Sunday issued a condemnation of "violations of human rights" in the Territories, The Toronto Star reported.

The resolution condemned what it called "gross and systematic violations of Palestinian human rights," wrote reporter Michael McAteer.

"Violations" were said to include "killings, beatings, administrative detentions, house demolitions, illegal settlements, the long-term closure of all schools, universities, trade unions, professional unions and charitable organizations."

Delegates did reaffirm Israel's right to exist — but only after being told the exclusion of such affirmation might prove embarrassing for the Church. The original resolution made no mention of support for Israel.

The Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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KASTEN — KASHDAN

Kasten is a box or chest. Kastanie is a chestnut. Kastanienbaum (Kestenbaum) is a chestnut tree.

The Slavonic equivalent for chestnut tree is Kasztan (pronounced Kashtan).

Although it sounds the same, Kashdan has no relationship. It derives from a Hebrew acronym — Kohanei Sh'luchei D'Rachmona Ninhu — "he is a descendant of the God sent priests."

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: When the Kohanim conclude the priestly benediction, the duchanning, it is customary to give them a Yasher Koach when they come down. Why is that?

Rabbi Burak

ANSWER: In a little volume, Ateres Paz, on the Birkat Kohannim, 15b, the author suggests that it is derived from a text in Tractate Baba Kamma, 92b. There we are told that Raba asked Rabbah bar Mari: "Where can be derived the popular saying, 'Though the wine belongs to the owner, thanks are given to the butler'? A biblical text is given for this popular saying. That being the case, though the Kohannim are simply following God's instructions to bless us, and they give us His blessing, and not their own, they are entitled to receive a thank you, just as the butler gets one. So, give them a Yasher Koach.

I recall, however, from my childhood days, that there was a popular answer to this question, and it moves in a different direction. The Kohannim, according to the Torah, were ordered to bless us. They could do this in a very plain manner. They could quite properly just recite the benedictions, the way some rabbis do at a wedding, without any melody at all. That would get it done fast.

Instead, the Kohannim sing a melody between each part of the threefold benediction. And they sing this melody while holding both hands up high, no small achievement. Their hands may feel tired, as they hold them above their shoulders. But, still they sing. Sometimes, they get a little help from the Cantor.

It's for the melody that we thank them. They were commanded to bless us; but nothing was said about singing. For that extra effort they deserve our thanks and appreciation.

In some communities, the Kohannim gave a command performance.

For instance, in Pressburg, the Kohannim had a group of melodies, a different one for each of the Yamim Tovim. On Passover, the melody of Adir Hu was adopted by the Kohannim as their theme song during the interludes in the Birkat Kohannim.

On Shavu'os, they changed it in favor of the melody of Akdamus. On Succos, they adapted the tune used during the waving of the Lulav, as their melodic theme. On Simchas Torah, they used all three of the above melodies, a different one for each benediction.

On days when Yiskor is recited, they used a sad High Holy Day melody, which became known as the niggun of the dead. Well, if the Kohannim did all this at Pressburg, you can understand that they deserve the thanks of the people for all their hard work.

Some people, however, found all this variety of melodies just too enchanting. Keeping track of the melodies got them confused in their prayers. So, the Matte Moshe, #193, tells us tht in his province, they sang only one melody. The same tune was served up on all the Holy Days.

But, all this was in an earlier and more graceful age. One would give up the multiplicity of melodies; one would not give up the priestly benediction. Today, some denominations have removed the duchanning from all their prayer books. There, the Kohannim get a "No, thank you. We don't want your benediction."

Israel, on the other hand, has restored the priestly blessing to its rightful place. Whilst in the Diaspora it is given only on the Yomim Tovim, in Jerusalem the Kohannim bless us every day of the week.

Though no melody is sung, it is very sweet. The Kohannim get a Yasher Koach for making it short and sweet, so that the people can go out to earn their daily bread.

Imre Finta court case gets underway

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

One-and-a-half years after charges were first laid, and after evidence-gathering commissions in Israel and Hungary, the war crimes case of former restaurateur Imre Finta got under way earlier this week in a courthouse in downtown Toronto.

During the opening hours of the case Monday morning, the court turned down a request by the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada for intervenor status.

Much of the month of June has been set aside for legal arguments and preliminary motions in the case.

Imre Finta

Finta, 77, is the first person charged under Canada's revised Criminal Code legislation for war crimes and crimes against humanity. The legislation was amended as a result of recommendations by Justice Jules Deschenes, who headed an investigation into alleged war criminals in Canada.

The prosecution alleges that as a wartime captain in the Hungarian police, Finta was responsible for forcible confinement, kidnapping and manslaughter in connection with 8,615 Jews who were loaded on board trains in Szeged in 1944 for deportation to death and labor camps.

An unspecified number died on the trains, the charges say.

Crown attorney Christopher Amerasinghe, who in 1982 successfully prosecuted accused war criminal Helmut Rauca in an extradition matter, will head the prosecution team in the case against Finta. Doug Christie, who has defended Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel and former Alberta school teacher Jim Keegstra, will represent Finta.

Amerasinghe declined to discuss the legal matters and preliminary issues which might be addressed at court. However, at a hearing last January, Christie argued the Criminal Code section under which Finta is charged should be ruled in violation of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Other legal issues discussed at that hearing included Canada's treaty obligations, the state of international law and of Hungary's law when the alleged crimes were committed, and whether Canada was in "armed conflict" with Hungary at the time.

The court at that time ruled Christie's arguments were premature.

Should the court rule in the prosecution's favor, the actual trial is expected to begin in September.

Outgoing president reflects on term

Year saw B'nai B'rith secure finances

QUEBEC CITY —

The past year will be remembered as a time when B'nai B'rith Canada's financial future and programs were secured by its Board of Governors with the expertise of the Martin Group, a national consulting firm, says BBC's outgoing president Dr. Brian Feldman.

"Last fall I noted that a 1-year term isn't long enough to achieve one's goals as president of B'nai B'rith Canada," the Toronto dentist said in a BBC news release.

"But I didn't realize just how quickly these 12 months would fly by. While it's too early for a post-mortem, reflection is appropriate."

Feldman stepped down this week as president during BBC's 4-day annual convention near Quebec City.

Ottawa entrepreneur Moishe Smith is BBC's new president.

In looking back over his term, Feldman noted that BBC's national telemarketing membership campaign is proceeding smoothly. Canvassers hope to sign up 5,000 new members, he said.

Dr. Brian Feldman

In Toronto, more than 1,000 people have already joined, and canvassing has begun in Montreal and other cities, marking the largest increase in recent years, Feldman said.

The campaign is being publicized with the help of BBC's monthly newspaper, The Covenant, he said.

The paper, which last year operated as a quarterly in-house newsletter, is now the most widely read Anglo-Jewish monthly in Canada with a circulation of 30,000 Feldman claimed.

"The Covenant is truly reflective of the outstanding work B'nai B'rith and its agencies are doing in the areas of human rights advocacy, community volunteer service, amateur sports and youth development," he said.

"The transformation of this publication is one of my proudest achievements."

Another point of pride is the changing landscape near the Bathurst-Sheppard intersection where two major new buildings are going up, he said.

The first building on Hove St. — BBC's newly expanded and renovated national headquarters called the Charles Goldlust Human Rights Centre — is scheduled to open in September, he said.

The other — a $15 million 11-storey senior citizens housing development at Reiner Rd. a few blocks south of Sheppard — will open in May, 1990.

"In the face of Toronto's terrible shortage of affordable housing these 164 apartments epitomize our slogan 'people helping people'," Feldman said.

But not everything is so rosy, he added.

BBC's audit of anti-semitism in Canada revealed a major increase in reported incidents in 1988.

"Negative media coverage of Israel afforded bigots a window of opportunity," he said.

"The message is clear — Canadian Jews must be vigilant to combat all forms of racism."

Feldman also said the Jewish community was dealt a blow by the Canadian government's upgrading of ties with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"We trust Ottawa will use this new relationship to insist that the PLO make substantive and not just rhetorical changes in its policies," Feldman said.

Overseas, BBC — through work of its international affairs institute and mission to Poland and Israel — played a role in promoting Jewish people's interests worldwide, he said.

For example, protests to the Swedish government over its proposed amendments to its poultry slaughter regulations, which would have barred both the import of kosher chicken and slaughter of fowl according to Jewish dietary laws, resulted in the lifting of the new legislation, he said.

Photos taken in March by members of BBC's presidents mission to Poland while visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau — the site where 2.5 million Jews perished in World War II — were among the first to document the newly-erected 7-metre cross facing the Carmelite convent there, he said.

Feldman said the year also marked an improvement in communications between national Jewish organizations, and between BBC's 93 lodges and Toronto district headquarters.

"At all levels there is today better understanding," he said.

"I trust the new administration installed at BBC's national convention will continue to strive for greater co-operation."

Report slams IDF officers

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

A military inquiry into the April 13 raid on Nahalin village ended last week with recommendations to remove one senior Israel Defence Force officer and two border police officers from duty and to reprimand the military commander of the Judea district.

Five Palestinians were killed and 50 wounded in the pre-dawn assault on the West Bank village. The casualties occurred when border police opened fire with live ammunition to disperse villagers who were attacking them with rocks.

Although the report stressed the violent behavior of the villagers and said some of the border police officers were in danger, it noted that "there was excessive use of gunfire."

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"Did not recognize Israel's right to exist

Foreign minister rejects Arab summit's outcome

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The foreign ministry last week put the worst possible face on the recent Arab summit at Casablanca by asserting that the summit's decisions constitute an outright rejection of Israel's peace initiative.

Foreign Minister Moshe Arens stated that the summit "did not respond to the call to recognize Israel's right to exist." Arens said the summit highlighted the need to promote the clause in the government's initiative which calls for more Arab countries to recognize Israel and negotiate with it.

In a cable sent to delegations abroad, the ministry instructed diplomats to disseminate its interpretation of the summit decisions which include the following points:

• The summit did not recognize Israel's right to exist.

• The summit refused to endorse negotiations with Israel.

• The summit's citation of Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 is meaningless, because these were tied to other UN resolutions, including the "Zionism is racism" resolution.

• The summit endorsed the Palestinian right of return and urged the Security Council to consider the application of sanctions against Israel.

Noticeably absent from the Arens statement and from the ministry cable are any mention of the significance of the return of Egypt to the Arab League — including the summit's implicit acceptance of the peace agreement with Israel signed by Cairo.

Some ministry officials believe that the importance of Egypt's rehabilitation for the future of the Arab-Israeli conflict eclipses the specific language of the summit decisions, which were largely the product of efforts to forge a consensus including the most extreme Arab states.

The statements and cable also fail to mention the fact that despite the subordination to "other UN decisions," this was the first time that an Arab summit had, in fact, explicitly mentioned 242 and 338. This citation is widely interpreted as implying recognition of Israel.

The summit also accepted the general principles of the Palestine National Council decisions in Algiers — thus acceding to President George Bush's request to do so — and endorsed the PLO's position on elections in the territories. Elections could be acceptable, the decisions state, under appropriate conditions, including an Israeli withdrawal from the territories and international supervision.

Membership tops 1,000

Hungarian Jews form cultural federation

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — Unthinkable even a year ago in moderately Communist Hungary, a federation of groups whose interests range from studies of the Talmud and Jewish history to modern Hungarian Jewish art has developed in Budapest. Formed only six months ago, it already has a membership of more than 1,000.

The Federation to Maintain Jewish Culture in Hungary goes beyond the strictly religious definition of Judaism. Its leadership lobbies for Jewish elementary schools in Hebrew instruction along with protesting treatment of the Hungarian minority in Romania and marching under a separate banner in demonstrations, the Herald-Tribune in Paris reports.

Throughout Hungary, it said, young people are orchestrating what is being called a "renaissance" of Jewish consciousness. "Their parents became Communists after the war because all generations look for a creed," historian Gyorgy Litvan, was quoted as saying.

"Our generation was founded in Marxism and Leninism," Litvan said. "This creed has collapsed. Now they are looking for something which can help them to live and to find values and orientation," he said. This search, the newspaper reported from Budapest, has given rise to the cultural federation.

In the past those who studied Jewish customs and texts, or gathered simply for social reasons in private apartments, were harassed by the police. One who was harassed, a 42-year-old editor, said that she was "asked" by the police three years ago to sign a paper promising that she would stop attending such meetings. The police, she said, also suggested to the leader of the group that it "would be better if she left the country." Its leader emigrated and the group disbanded, the Herald-Trubune said.

Recent Jewish history was obliterated from speeches by simple taboo on the use of the word "Jew." The deportation and death of 600,000 Hungarian Jews in the Holocaust was relegated to a paragraph in history books, the report said. Censorship was explained as a measure to protect the Jews.

The head of the federation is Endre Rozsa, who was a Roman Catholic altar boy. Like many children of Holocaust survivors in Budapest, his Jewishness was carefully hidden by his parents. He discovered it accidentally as a 12-year-old when he was called a dirty Jew by a classmate. His father explained to him that "we were related a little bit with the Jews but absolutely not. It was total confusion," the Herald Tribune reported. Rosza, a well known radio host with three children of his own, is trying to reconstruct his heritage, the newspaper said.

Meanwhile, the Jerusalem Post reports that Hungary's 100,000 Jews increasingly fear that a neo-Nazi pogrom is in the offing, Shimon Forbusch, a representative of the Hungarian Immigrants Association, told the Knesset immigration and absorption committee last week.

He handed round a pamphlet, blaming the Jews for bringing Communism to Hungary in the first place and for the current economic malaise there, published in Budapest by the Hungarian Nazi Party. Under recent political reforms, the neo-Nazi party now operates legally in Hungary, Forbusch said.

"Anti-semitism is on the rise in Hungary. We fear for the lives of the Jews there. They are terrified of the prospect of a pogrom," Forbusch told the committee.

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Soviet official attends presentation to WJC's Bronfman

BOSTON — For the first time, a ranking Soviet official has attended an event honoring an American citizen for his leadership role on behalf of Soviet Jewry.

The presentation of the Emma Lazarus Award to World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman by the American Jewish Historical Society included the participation of Oleg Derkovsky, political counsellor at the Soviet embassy.

Bronfman was cited by the award committee for his worldwide humanitarian and philanthropic efforts. He has become particularly well known for his extensive work on opening and maintaining a dialogue regarding the condition of Jews in the Soviet Union, the committee said.

Derkovsky read a letter from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze congratulating Bronfman. In his remarks Derkovsky highlighted the changes that have occurred recently in Soviet attitudes towards the Jewish community in the USSR. He cited the opening of a Jewish cultural centre and a yeshiva in Moscow as well as a change in immigration policy permitting geater numbers of Jews to emigrate.

"Five rabbis, three from Israel and two from the United States would teach at the seminary and the Soviet government would provide stipends for their students," Derkovsky said.

He then noted that work was in progress "to issue a special decree to permit freedom of worship and religious liberty so that the Soviet government would provide for the national, religious and cultural aspirations of all its citizens."

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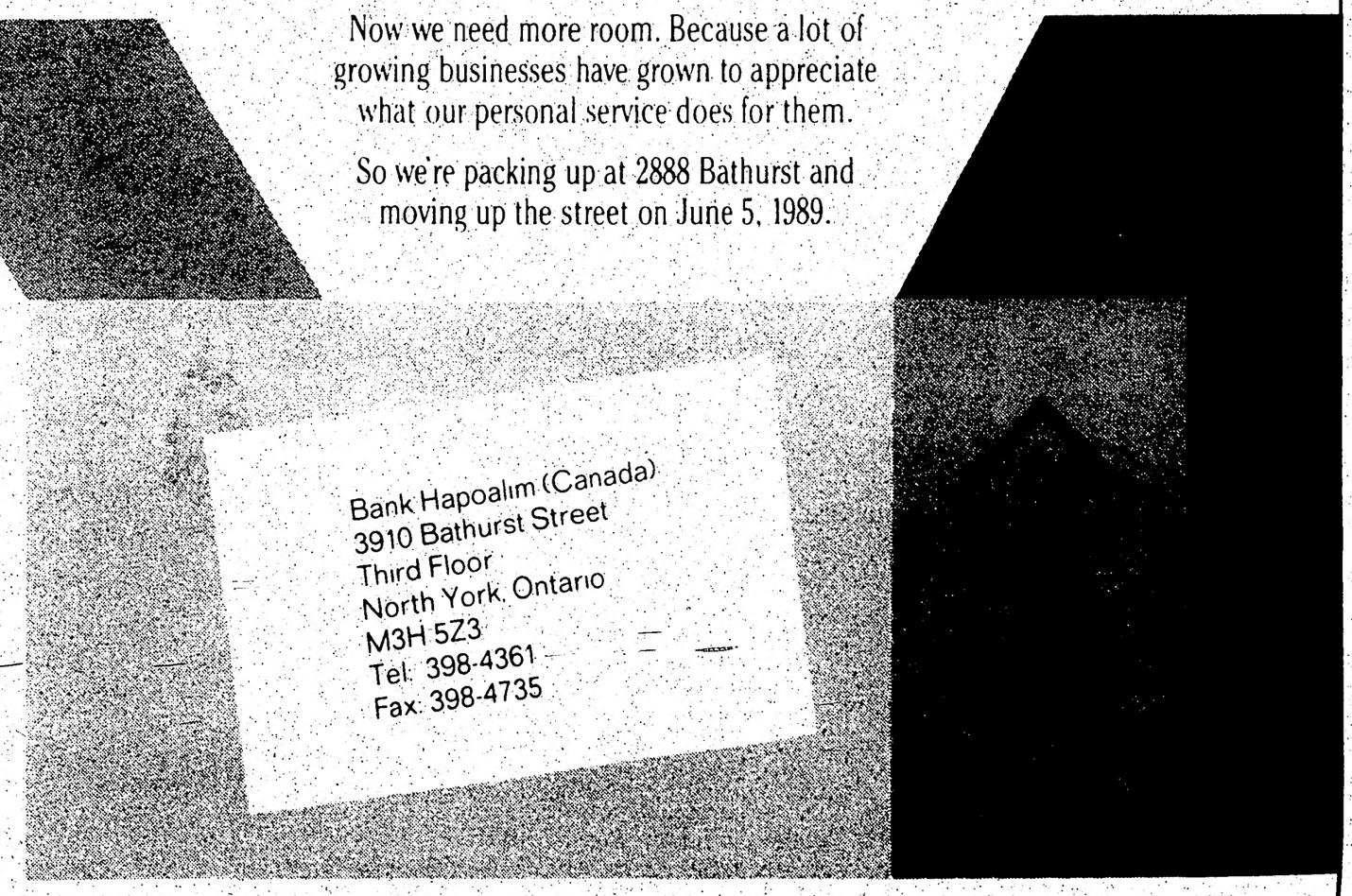

World-National

Wiesenthal not surprised by Church's involvement

Touvier case strains French Catholic-Jewish relations

PARIS (JTA) —

The defence by some French Catholics regarding the sheltering of the country's most wanted Nazi collaborator by a dissident branch of the church has aggravated already strained relations with the Jewish community.

Paul Touvier, 74, who headed the French militia that worked for the Gestapo in Lyon during World War II, was arrested in Nice on May 24 and charged with crimes against humanity. Recent reports indicated Touvier will plead not guilty.

Touvier had been given sanctuary at the Priory of St. Francis, which belongs to the excommunicated Roman Catholic Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, a fundamentalist diehard opposed to the Catholic-Jewish rapprochement mandated by Vatican Council II.

French Jews are shocked by the attitude of some Catholics, who justify the haven given Touvier by citing the actions of priests who hid Jews during the war.

"This comparison is totally unacceptable," said Emile Touati, president of the Paris Consistory, the body in charge of Jewish religious and cultural affairs.

"How can anyone put on the same level Touvier, a criminal trying to escape from justice, and the innocent Jews?" he asked.

Catholic-Jewish relations have been strained lately by the Church's inability so far to honor an agreement signed with world Jewish leaders to remove a Carmelite convent built on the grounds of the Auschwitz death camp.

Paul Touvier

Jean Kahn, the newly elected president of CRIF, the Representative Council of Jewish Institutions in France, was more circumspect in his reaction to the defence in the harboring of Touvier.

The Catholic church is not above criticism in the Touvier case, Kahn said, "but we should not condemn the Catholic church in its totality, for some priests, bishops and archbishops had a very courageous attitude during World War II," he said.

But Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal told a news conference in Rome that it came as no surprise to him that Touvier was caught on church grounds.

"The church has always helped Nazi war criminals escape," Wiesenthal charged.

"The German bishop, Alois Hudel, gave out false passports at the Franciscan monastery in Via Sicilia in Rome to Nazi criminals who were able to evade arrest by the Allies," he said.

"Catholic Nazis turned to Alois Hudel, Protestants turned to Gustav Wechter, who gave them the material means to flee to distant countries," Wiesenthal said.

He noted that Wechter died recently under the false name of Reinhardt, in a convent in Castel Gandolfo, the town where the pope has his summer residence.

Meanwhile, Rabbi Joseph Sitruck, the chief rabbi of France, warned French Jews not to blame the Catholic Church for sheltering Touvier.

"We cannot even imagine that the church as such was involved. Jews have suffered in the past from collective accusations. We should not do the same," Sitruck told an audience in Toulouse in the south of France.

The church was also defended by the archbishop of Paris, Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger, who was born a Jew and orphaned by the Holocaust.

Lustiger, who stayed in hiding during the war, said "Whenever I feared for my life, I sought refuge in a Catholic institution or knocked at the door of a Catholic priest. I was never turned away and never denounced," Lustiger said.

Paul Touvier's younger brother, Andre, said the last time he saw his brother was at their father's funeral in 1963.

According to Andre, Paul was the black sheep of a family that included one brother who fought with the Free French under Charles de Gaulle and two sisters who are war widows.

In other developments in West Germany a former SS official at Auschwitz was recently sentenced to life imprisonment, ending legal proceeedings that began 13 years ago and cost some $3 million dollars.

A Lueneberg court found Horst Czerwinski guilty of at least two killings when he was in charge of Lagischa, a work camp that was part of the Auschwitz complex.

Lagischa housed about 700 prisoners, including Jews, Poles, French, Russians and others. Witnesses described how Czerwinski brutally killed inmates who were brought to his office after unsuccessful attempts to escape.

The court ordered the immediate arrest of Czerwinski, citing the risk of his fleeing.

Czerwinski was convicted largely on the testimony of a fellow SS officer at Lagischa, Josef Schmidt, who served time in Polish prisons for war crimes. Some were actually committed by Czerwinski, the Lueneberg court said.

Schmidt agreed to testify for the prosecution to avoid standing trial himself for murders committed at Auschwitz.

Another key witness was Abraham Schaechter, a Holocaust survivor from Israel, who described how he saw Czerwinski murder a Russian inmate.

Dinitz welcomes change of views

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Simcha Dinitz believes there is a growing tendency among American Jews to accept the position that Jews emigrating from the Soviet Union must be encouraged to go to Israel rather than to the United States.

Dinitz, chairman of the Jewish Agency-World Zionist Organization executive, said last week: "Many of the American Jewish leaders are having second thoughts about the immigration of Russian Jews to the United States, and there is now a tendency to accept the Israeli position to further the Russian immigration to Israel."

Speaking at a meeting of the WZO executive, Dinitz, who recently returned from the United States, said American Jews have become aware that a heavy influx of Russian Jewish immigrants will place a severe burden on their communities, both economic and psychological.

About 90% of Jews leaving the USSR opt to settle in countries other than Israel, chiefly the United States.

Dinitz also claimed that the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, one of the agencies that helps the Soviet emigres while they wait for entry into the United States, agrees with the Jewish Agency that the transit camp at Ladispoli must be drastically reduced in size.

Ladispoli, an Italian seaside resort near Rome, has become a centre for Jews from the Soviet Union waiting for entry visas into the United States.

A sudden cutback in the issuance of American visas last year, mainly because of budgetary constraints, left thousands of Jewish emigres stranded in Ladispoli.

The JDC has heretofore taken care of them, but now, according to Dinitz, it is prepared to withdraw support for Russian Jews appealing an American decision not to grant them visas.

Dinitz also reported that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has appealed to the administration in Washington to issue U.S. visas to Jews still in Russia, which would eliminate the need for places like Ladispoli.

In addition, the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency are trying to get the Soviet authorities to agree to allow the Israeli consular mission in Moscow to issue visas to Russian Jews.

Most Jews leave the USSR with Israeli visas, but they are issued by the Israel interests section of the Dutch embassy in Moscow.

Canadian Jewish Congress

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Israeli forces captured Yavneh during the war of independence on June 5, 1948. Returned to Jewish hands was a town whose incarnation included the site of Judaism's survival after the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.

Southeast of Jaffa, Yavneh — Jebneel in the Bible — was a fortified Philistine port city finally breached by Uzziah in the 8th century BCE, some 500 years after the Israelites first entered the Holy Land. The Judean king's capture of it was not decisive.

After the Babylonians destroyed the First Temple, Yavneh once again became a base for hostile forces. In the second century BCE, Judah Maccabee attacked its harbor as a warning to the populace threatening to wipe out its Jewish community. Simon Maccabee captured the city, according to historian Josephus, and it soon became a Jewish centre of Torah, commerce, and agriculture. Its Beit Din was the regional religious court, subordinate only to Jerusalem.

At the start of the Common Era, Yavneh had a population of at least 200,000. I was able to field some 40,000 soldiers in the Jewish revolt against Rome's occupation of the Holy Land. When Jerusalem was destroyed, leading Rabbi Johanan Ben Zakkai, who impressed Roman General Vespasian with his foresight and wisdom, was "granted Yavneh and its scholars," writes the Talmud. There the Sanhedrin, supreme court of Jerusalem, was reconstituted to continue regulating Jewish life according to the Torah.

Jerusalem's equal

Yavneh soon became, except for sacrifices, the temporary equal of Jerusalem. There the months were established and the year intercalated, and olei regel (pilgrims) received on Pesach, Shavuoth and Succoth. Assembling in the "Vineyard of Yavneh," its scholars, who included multilingual masters — Sanhedrin judges had to be versed in 70 languages in order to try cases between Jews and non-Jews without the intervention of interpreters — achieved a notable slate of accomplishments over the following 60 years. These included:

- **The final canonizations and arrangements of the Bible.**
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Yavneh suppressed

Bar Kochba's revolt in 132 CE threw the Holy Land into turmoil once again. Yavneh was suppressed by the Romans, its scholars scattering north to the Galil, across the country, and overseas. Afterwards, Yavneh's Samaritans, now the majority, prevented its re-establishment as a Jewish centre. In the following centuries, it became in turn a Christian city, an Arab centre, a Crusader base, an Ottoman town, and an Arab village, Yibna. The latter began to expand at the turn of the 20th century, as Arab laborers and farmers thrived under the influence of new Jewish settlements nearby like Gaderah and Rehovot. A small Jewish settlement was founded nearby in 1941. In 1947, Arab Yibna had a population of about 4,000.

Shortly after proclaiming its independence, the fledgling Jewish state was invaded from the south by the Egyptian army. Its advance was critically staved off by fierce resistance from the settlers of Yad Mordechai, founded in 1943 by survivors from Poland. By the time the Egyptians could occupy the kibbutz, Haganah troops were able to capture Yibna, check the Egyptian advance, and launch a successful counter offensive. Yad Mordechai was retaken, and the Egyptian troops defeated.

Jewish immigrants began to rebuild Yavneh, which underwent gradual industrialization. Bet Rabban, a leading yeshiva, was established on the adjacent hill of Givat Washington. This and increasing attention from religious quarters presage Yavneh's revival as a spiritual centre in the Holy Land once again.

Merchant of Venice editorial, cartoon

La Presse issues apology to Congress

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL — The French-language daily La Presse has retracted part of a recent editorial and a cartoon that mistakenly took Canadian Jewish Congress to task for "rejoicing" over the Stratford festival's decision to delete passages from its production of The Merchant of Venice.

Alain Dubuc, the newspaper's chief editorial writer, was sent a personal letter by CJC Quebec Region director Michael Crelinsten and in the May 26 edition Dubuc recanted his criticism of CJC and the cartoon by "Girerd."

"Congress should not have been associated with a decision it does not approve," Dubuc wrote, although he did not apologize explicitly.

The confusion arose out of a misleading Canadian Press dispatch linking comments by CJC Ontario Region research director Bernie Farber with the festival's decision to delete the passages.

Farber was quoted as saying as a reaction to the deletions: "Stratford is leading the way on the issue. We hope other theatre companies will follow."

But Farber said in a letter to The Gazette that he in fact was referring only to meetings held with festival officials about organizing possible joint race relations workshops and teacher seminars on cultural bias and racial prejudice in the classics.

Congress at no time requested the deletions, Farber stressed.

Crelinsten wrote Dubuc: "I can understand your surprise when you read the substance of the (CP) statements written about Congress...We were just as surprised."

"Censorship is not part of the policy of Congress unless appropriate authorities decide certain declarations violate the Canadian Criminal Code."

Congress was also offended by the cartoon, which drew an analogy between the supposed CJC approval of censorship and Islamic reaction to Salman Rushdie's book, The Satanic Verses, by depicting William Shakespeare as saying: "Rushdie...wait for me, please."

Girerd's accompanying headline said Shakespeare was "censored...after intervention by the (Canadian) Jewish Congress."

Dubuc wrote he was misled by a Canadian Press dispatch quoting Farber that implied Congress was pleased by the cuts.

Dubuc said for the same reason the cartoon also mistakenly associated Congress with the Festival's decision.

"I bring these clarifications with all the more pleasure because they demonstrate that on the question of censoring the classics, the (Canadian) Jewish Congress and La Presse share the same concerns," Dubuc wrote.

Jews make peace with Montreal Journal

MONTREAL — A "cordial" meeting with the editor-in-chief of the Journal de Montreal helped smooth Jewish community feathers that were ruffled recently following a news report that non-Jewish patients were "forced to eat kosher" at Jewish hospitals (CJN May 11).

The delegation spent more than an hour with Raymond Tardif and consisted of Canadian Jewish Congress community relations committee (CRC) Quebec Region chairman Gary Waxman, director Jack Jedwab, inter-group relations subcommittee chairman Rabbi Reuben Poupko, Raphael Assor, director of government relations at Allied Jewish Community Services, and Jacques Hendlisz, executive director of the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital (JRH).

Positive talks

The talks were "very, very positive," Waxman said.

Waxman said Tardif was receptive to Jewish community concerns about the headline and tone of the article, which focused on a non-Jewish patient's allegation of being chided by roommates for trying to eat a muffin in the JRH during Passover.

It was felt that the headline was sensational and that the story misled by not drawing a full picture of Jewish hospital kashruth policies.

Waxman said Assor pointed out to Tardif the strong commitment the Jewish community puts in retaining the "Jewish character" of its health care institutions. Assor said that there's never been a similar complaint at the Jewish General Hospital, where 65% of patients are not Jewish.

The editor of the French-language tabloid conducted his own investigation of the way the story was handled and he told them as far as he could tell the report as it appeared was not "ill-intentioned, Waxman stated."

The meeting was also productive, Waxman said, in terms of one of the CRC's mandates of keeping the media informed about the Jewish community's structure, agenda, and sensitivities.

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Protestant calling is unfortunate move

We are chagrined to learn that at a recent meeting in Bermuda a group of Protestant theologians has urged Christian churches to put a high priority on converting Jews.

According to the New York Times (May 20), the Protestant leaders have issued a statement deploring attempts on the part of many Christians to assert that the Biblical covenant between the divine and the Jewish people was not broken by the coming of Jesus.

The later trend has been endorsed by both the Episcopal and Presbyterian churches in the United States. Pope Paul II and Roman Catholic bishops have also adopted similar positions with regard to the continued vitality of Judaism.

The evangelicals meeting in Bermuda, however, reject this conciliatory view, opting for the idea that Jews are "branches of God's olive tree that have broken off." They also deny, says Peter Steinfels in his Times article, that "contemporary Judaism contains within itself true knowledge of God's salvation."

Thankfully, a number of Christian leaders has already criticized the evangelicals' statement, condemning its narrowness and especially its inference that Jews are devoid of any spiritual vocation.

Christians have the right, of course, to adopt any theological position they wish. That entitlement, however, suggests that maturity of vision will accompany their doctrinal views.

In re-asserting the primacy of Christianity over Judaism and thereby denigrating the mother faith, the evangelicals in Bermuda have reversed almost 50 years of post World War II enlightened thinking about the spiritual condominium in which both Jews and Christians dwell. The eviction of Jews implicit in the evangelicals' recent proclamation is a sad commentary on the myopia of their vision.

Theirs is a minority view within Christendom; we trust that it will remain on the periphery.

Gaza Arabs learn hard lesson of war

The recent decision taken by the government of Israel to oblige Palestinian workers to return to Gaza was obviously not a spur of the moment one.

For the past 18 months Arabs in Gaza and the territories have been involved in a rebellion which has cost the lives of 500 Palestinians and more than a score of Israelis.

Whether the intifada was generated spontaneously or not is open to conjecture. It is now an organized movement with mass participation and its purpose is to force Israel to end its occupation of that part of the country now supposedly reserved for a Palestinian state.

As in the past, Palestinians are using life-threatening techniques-stones, fire bombs, assassinations — in the pursuit of their goals. Until recently those modes of activity were restricted to areas beyond the Green Line.

The murder of two elderly citizens in Jerusalem, the kidnapping and assassination of an Israeli soldier from Ashdod, the deliberate razing of forests in the Jerusalem area and in the Galilee, and, evidence that Israeli Arabs have begun to adopt some of the confrontational tactics of their Palestinian cousins — these factors, added to the fear of real or potential sabotage, have caused the government to re-think its position on permitting Palestinians from Gaza to work in Israel.

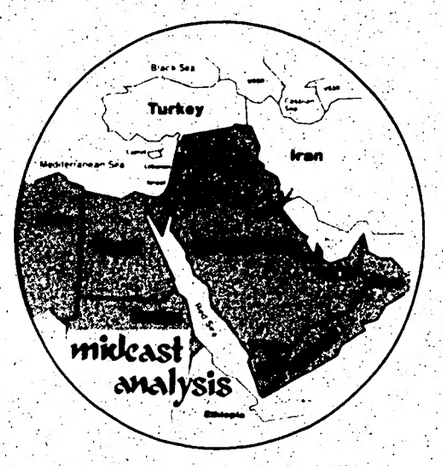
Barring these workers is a regrettable step for two reasons. The interdiction will cause real hardship on the Gazans, many of whom are the sole wage earners in their families. Again, the Israeli economy will undoubtedly suffer from the loss of manpower.

These considerations, however, had to be put aside because the authorities realize that in time of war, the innocent sometimes suffer along with the guilty. This is not a pleasant observation but it is a realistic one. Every nation has the right to protect its national self-interest as it deems fit.

The situation will return to the status quo ante only when a relative tranquility descends once again on Israel. In the meantime the Arab workers of Gaza have learned that working in Israel is a privilege and not a right.

We hope that this privilege becomes available soon.

Bonn's controls questioned



"...we cannot simply shrug off the burden of German history. Our blood must curdle at the very idea of chemical weapons manufactured with West German backing being fired at Israel..."
— Theo Sommer in Die Zeit.

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

BONN, West Germany —

The federal government here has drafted new export laws and controls intended to prevent a repetition of the embarrassing Rabta affair, but an imponderable remains: can they be contravened?

Hans Stercken, chairman of the parliamentary committee on foreign affairs, suggested in an interview that the laws, adopted in the wake of recent disclosures that West German companies had helped Libya build a chemical weapons plant in Rabta, are "the strongest" in the world.

However, he conceded that the measures, which ban direct or indirect participation by German firms in the production of ABC — atomic, biological, chemical — weapons outside the framework of the North Atlantic alliance, can in theory be breached.

According to Stercken, German companies operating in third countries without similar guidelines can thereby violate West German law. "The only way to stop this trade is an international agreement banning the export of ABC weapons," he observed.

The suspicion that Bonn's export controls simply may be bypassed is a concern at the Israeli embassy. An official there expressed satisfaction with the export controls, which call for prison terms up to 15 years for violators. "But the question is: can they be implemented?"

German officials, mindful of their government's policy of prohibiting the export of offensive arms to "areas of tension," particularly the Middle East, say in apparent sincerity that they will do whatever they can to ensure that a country like Libya never gets ABC weapons made in West Germany.

"We learned our lesson with Libya," said the official in charge of ensuring that West Germany's policy is not violated. "Ninety nine percent of our companies abide by the law. One percent don't. So for one black sheep you have to control the whole herd."

The Rabta scandal broke in January of this year when The New York Times reported that a West German company, Imhausen-Chemie, had played a central role in the design and construction of the Libyan chemical factory.

Jurgen Hippenstiel-Imhausen, the managing director, denied any wrongdoing. "We have nothing to do with this project... since we are a respectable firm," he claimed. But after a thorough investigation, spurred on by repeated U.S. warnings since 1980 about West German culpability in Libya's scheme, the government belatedly discovered that Imhausen had indeed been involved.

Last month, Hippenstiel-Imhausen was arrested on suspicion of violating German law. Earlier, customs police seized 255 tons of chemicals bound for Libya, while Chancellor Helmut Kohl deplored the West German role and assured World Jewish Congress President Edgar Bronfman that he would do his utmost to prevent further irregularities.

Yet, as officials in Bonn realize, Libya is not the only Arab nation which receives or may have received the benefit of German weapons technology.

A number of investigations already have been undertaken to determine whether West German export controls were in fact broken by more than a dozen companies in the past few years.

Stories appearing in the media suggest that West German firms: supplied Iraq with equipment which enable it to manufacture nerve gas; aided Libya to convert transport planes to refuel jet fighters in flight so they can reach Israel; assisted Iraq, Egypt and Argentina in the quest to develop the Condor 2 ballistic missile, which has a range of more than 1,000 kilometres.

When West Germany's defence minister visited Israel recently, he was asked about the Condor, and he replied that the government lacked "sufficient information" about it.

He added that Bonn faced "inherent difficulties" in trying to track down the outflow of technology and scientific data to "areas of tension," in part because many of these activities are carried out through subsidiary companies outside West Germany.

Asked to comment on the Condor file, an official at the foreign ministry said that, as far as he knows, the company allegedly involved in its development, Messerschmidt, Beolkow, Blohm (MBB), has "given up cooperation in this field."

The official confirmed that a $200 million German bank loan to Jordan to purchase the Tornado fighter bomber, produced by West Germany in conjunction with several of its NATO allies, has definitely been cancelled, partly because the Jordanians were unable to afford the purchase, and partly because of public protests.

Tornado planes, though, have been delivered to Saudi Arabia.

The official said that West Germany does not plan to sell the advanced Leopard tank to Saudi Arabia. When it was learned in 1980 that Bonn was thinking seriously of supplying the Leopard to the Saudis, Israel protested vigorously, and the deal was shelved.

Bonn, however, is engaged in talks with Riyadh on building arms plants in Saudi Arabia capable of producing artillery shells. In 1986, West Germany appointed a military attache to its embassy in Saudi Arabia. The officer, it was reported, had received anti-terrorist training in Israel.

Information obtained by The Canadian Jewish News suggests that West Germany sells defensive military equipment to certain Arab states, notably the Gulf states, Saudi Arabia and Egypt, as well as Israel, on a case-by-case basis.

As one official put it: "We sell mines, but not planes; guns but not tanks."

NATO members purchase 90% of West Germany's arms production, he noted. "Our sales to the Middle East are very limited."

West Germany, an economic giant, sends slightly less than 2% of its exports, including arms, to the Middle East. But since it is the world's biggest exporter ($360 billion U.S. in 1988), the impact of German exports on the Middle East is keenly felt.

Last year, West German companies did nearly $6 billion worth of business in the Middle East, and no doubt some of them, propelled by sheer greed, were tempted to flout Bonn's export controls.

West Germany's best customers in the Arab world are Libya, Saudi Arabia and Algeria. Iran, a non-Arab Moslem nation, is also a leading buyer of West German products. (Israel trails behind Libya, Algeria and Saudi Arabia.)

The West Germans, who purchase about 13% of their oil from the Arabs, have embassies in virtually every Arab land and, in general, maintain cordial ties with the Arab world. The West German foreign minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, has visited most Arab countries, and Arab heads of state have been welcomed in Bonn by Chancellor Kohl.

In all probability, West Germany's heretofore lax export control laws heightened Bonn's relationship with Arab regimes, notably in Libya and Iraq. Writing in the Suddeutsche Zeitung of Munich as the Rabta scandal surfaced, foreign affairs commentator Josef Joffe noted: "...the government must be accused of producing a situation during recent years in which looking the other way has come into fashion in the field of arms exports, the Achilles Heel of West German foreign policy."

Joffe says that West Germany's former export controls were fatally flawed. "The first and most charitable (explanation) has to do with West German commercial law," he wrote in The New York Times. "In America, nothing can be exported without an official seal of approval. In West Germany, everything can be exported unless it is expressly forbidden.

"The second, less charitable, explanation flows from self-interest. As a country that sells one-third of its gross national product abroad, West Germany has export laws whose liberality is probably exceeded only by Hong Kong..."

This explains Rabta and other apparent violations by West German companies. Now it remains to be seen whether the new export controls put into place recently will make Joffe's trenchant commentary obsolete.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl meets King Hussein of Jordan.

Anti-semitism and racism alleged

Ostrem's art arouses controversy in Vancouver

By
GARY POGROW

VANCOUVER —

When Renee Rodin saw David Ostrem's painting, The Failure of Judaism, at the Grunt Gallery, she felt that she was in a nightmare. "I couldn't believe my eyes. My reaction was total disbelief that there actually was this painting hanging in a gallery in Vancouver — one that I liked and supported. It hurt me personally."

The painting by Ostrem, a Vancouver artist, was part of the 1-man show last Nov. 23 - Dec. 3 at the Grunt. It was one of three triptychs of failures. Set in the desert, the painting shows four Israeli soldiers pinning a Palestinian to the ground while another Israeli soldier is about to beat him with a wooden beam. At the top of the painting are the words: The Failure of Judaism. And beneath the action are the words: January 20, 1988-Hymie Breaks Yousef's Hands.

Rodin, an artist who also runs a book store, and is Jewish, reviewed the exhibit in the January issue of The Front, a monthly publication of the Western Front, another Vancouver gallery. Since then, the Vancouver art community has been embroiled in a controversy for the past seven months about the painting's alleged anti-semitism and racism, and the response to Rodin's review.

Rodin criticized Ostrem for using the word Hymie, "a derogatory word for Jews . . . that got Jesse Jackson into big trouble." Ostrem, she said, "ignored that to be Jewish is not necessarily to be pro-Israel."

Rodin also described a later encounter with the painter at another gallery. When she told him that she found some of his work offensive, "he launched into a tirade about how, 'Hymie was a word kicking around New York when I was there and it didn't seem, to bother people.' "

When Rodin questioned him about which people, "he sort of waved me off and walked away."

Rodin concluded her critique with the observation that, "the 'failure of David Ostrem' is that he does not take responsibility for his work . . . So trendy these days to be politically regressive."

The public response was a series of letters and a reply by Rodin in the March and April issues of The Front, and a "final word" by painter David Ostrem in the May issue of the publication. There also was a profile of Ostrem in the April issue of Vancouver Magazine.

But it was the whispered responses by some members of the arts community who said that Rodin was "just another paranoid Jew," and "an uppity privileged Jew with a Holocaust scenario," that moved Vancouver artist and singer Elizabeth Fisher to write a letter to The Front (April 89). In a telephone interview with Fisher, she said, "There is a lot of anti-semitism and this brought it out."

As far as Ostrem is concerned, Fisher, and the other people critical of Ostrem, including Rodin, prefer to believe that the painter is not an intentional racist. But, added Fisher sadly, "In the political consciousness of the left, it seems unfortunate that Judaism is equated with Zionism."

Grunt Gallery curator Glen Alteen was so disturbed by the response to Rodin that he pulled the post card of the painting from the catalogue because, "the card was too dangerous out of context.

Painting has a disturbing edge

"The problem as soon as I saw the painting was with the word Hymie," said Alteen. "I phoned Ostrem and he explained to me what he was trying to do with the painting. I realized that he wasn't being racist in his intentions."

Alteen responded in The Front mailer (March 89) because he believed he understood the painting and the problems with it. "It (Ostrem's work) often has a disturbing edge . . . The painting was part of a triptych that dealt with news stories. The other two (Failures-GP) Christianity and Technology took their inspiration from Jimmy Swaggart's fall from grace and the destruction of the Challenger."

Alteen continued, "That Ostrem links Judaism with Israel shouldn't be much of a surprise to anybody. Israel was started in the late 40s as a Jewish state and still largely is . . . That all Jews should feel responsible for the actions of Israel is ridiculous and is in the same order of all Christians feeling responsibility for Jimmy Swaggart's whoremongering."

Sitting in the Grunt Gallery, Alteen said: "It's amazing. Last year there was a show called Art Against Racism. It was exhibited in five galleries and went through the whole arts community. It never caused one bit of discussion. There was no conflict. It was like all the artists were patting themselves on their backs saying, 'Isn't it great, nobody's a racist.' And this one painting has had people talking and raving about it for weeks. To a certain point, that's been good. This has really been an arts community issue. It's made everybody question themselves."

In the April issue of Vancouver Magazine there is a profile of painter David Ostrem by arts journalist Alex Varty. Varty describes the exhibit as "uncharacteristically brutal and one piece, The Failure of Judaism brought down unfounded charges of anti-semitism on Ostrem's ducktailed head."

Got inspiration from book on Israel's invasion

Varty told The CJN that half of what he submitted was not used in the article. He also claimed that the magazine had a 3-month lead time and, "the conflict hadn't built up yet. Had I known, I would have done more research."

"In talking to David," continued Varty, "I don't think he was an anti-semite. I think his work was ill-considered. He was just careless. He wasn't aware of raising a serious question. I think he meant the failure of Zionism and fundamentalism in . . . religion."

But Ostrem *did* believe that he was raising a serious question. Sitting in his studio with the painting hung on one of his walls, Ostrem said that he got his inspiration from a book about Israel's invasion of Lebanon called The Longest War, by Jacobo Timerman. Timerman, according to Ostrem, felt that the brutality of the war and the occupation was "a betrayal of Judaism's liberal morals."

"I never studied Judaism," he continued, "but as a person of a Judeo-Christian heritage and as a person who was always interested in civil rights, I noticed that there were always lots of Jewish people involved in the human and civil rights, and labor struggles. Jewish people have died fighting racial discrimination. So it seemed to me that I could understand the point that Timerman was making." (Ostrem is not Jewish.)

A couple of years later he read about the Israeli hand-breaking orders and the response of Canadian and American Jewish groups that were shocked by it. "People that normally support Israel right or wrong were shaken by it. I thought I would use that incident to characterize my criticism of Israel's West Bank policies."

Ostrem said that he is interested in the language that refers to the Jewish tradition, especially that of the liberal tradition. "That's why I don't say the failure of Israel or the failure of Zionism, I say the failure of Judaism. The idea is that this incident is a non-Jewish thing. It is betraying the principles of the liberal and moral traditions of Judaism."

Ostrem does not believe that the use of the word Hymie is offensive. "I consider that a misreading of the painting — it's the name of one of my characters. Hymie and Yousef are two people in the piece."

When asked about the uproar from Jesse Jackson's use of Hymietown, he laughed and said, "This is where the crux of the problem is and where the real criticism is coming in." Ostrem said that he understood Hymie as an archaic racial slur that was around in the 20s and 30s when there were people actually named Hymie.

"I suspected that it may have originally started in the Northeast during the days of establishment anti-semitism; back in the days when people like Ezra Pound were around.

"In context, I picked Hymie because it adds a kind of a street feel to it," he said. "It kind of relates to New York. I checked the Jewish Who's Who and found there are nine people in it named Hymie. They were all born in New York between about 1898 and 1927, and their parents all came from Europe."

When asked whether he could have used another Jewish name, given the current uproar that Jackson caused when he used it, Ostrem said: "You have to understand that Hymie is also a given name. And as a given name I expect it to have all the respect that is entitled to a given name.

Controversial painting causes uproar in Vancouver art circles.

"I consider that if I used A Hymie Breaks Yousef's Hands or That Hymie or The Hymie or This Hymie, then of course it would be a racial slur."

Ostrem claims that Jewish people from the East (Toronto and New York City) when criticizing the painting feel that, "the Hymie thing is not important."

For Rodin, this has been a trying time. She is a private person and being in the public eye like this has been a bit unsettling. She feels a bit frustrated and at times a bit misunderstood, but she has her principles. One of them is that she doesn't believe in censorship. "I never wrote about the piece until the exhibition was over. And people who yell and scream about no censorship must allow for reactions to art. I've been asked to keep my mouth shut and I refuse to do it."

She doesn't agree with Ostrem's explanation of his use of the name Hymie. "I didn't agree with Ostrem's description of the 'The Hymie vs. Hymie.'

"In art, words can be used to educate, to change," continued Rodin. "I don't feel that David did that in this particular case. Instead, with this painting, he reconfirmed racism."

Rodin feels sad that this has gone so far without any resolution. She believes that Ostrem is "bring totally defensive. We've all been raised with very heavy racist attitudes. It's part of our society. Some of us have a harder time accepting it and shifting from it. But if we can accept that it has been given to us, it becomes a lot lighter.

"All the painting does is reinforces what's happening," concluded Rodin. "It doesn't try to being people together. It creates more distance between people. That's really what frightened me."

Despite Bedford's Shylock Stratford's still a must see

By
ELAINE KAHN

My husband and I try to make a yearly pilgrimage to Stratford, Ont. We take in a couple of performances and enjoy the town — much more than we enjoy Niagara-on-the-Lake, so our attendance at the latter's Shaw Festival is spotty.

The productions at the Shaw are often better than those at Stratford, but the town itself is too cutesy. After 15 minutes on the main drag, I feel like my mouth is puckered from eating too much fudge or something. Stratford still has a hardware store . . . always a healthy sign.

We're such big Stratford fans that we will spend our anniversary there — watching Brian Bedford in something or other. I can't remember what and it doesn't matter — it is family policy to catch Bedford in anything he does within a 300-kilometre radius of our home in Richmond Hill. The following week, we're driving west again to hear Bedford give some readings — and they could be from the yellow pages as far as we're concerned, because he's that good.

I first saw him 14 years ago as Malvolio in *Twelfth Night* and have not come out from under the spell. The man made Shakespeare sound like English and played to the audience the way I always imagined a player would have in Shakespeare's own time.

I was so upset at Bedford's absence from Stratford over the last seven years that I wrote a letter of complaint to festival director John Neville (I share with some readers of this column a natural flare for penning such letters. Of course, I don't need the ego gratification of seeing mine in print, but that's another story.)

Given all this, there is probably no household in Canada as upset as ours that one of Bedford's three roles this summer is Shylock. My husband absolutely refuses to spend any of our money on tickets to see this. At times like this, I wish we did not pool our funds — almost.

Because I really do (sorry, Brian) understand the principle of not underwriting the festival's creepy habit of mounting *The Merchant of Venice* a couple of times a decade, allowing other plays to languish. It always causes a controversy. This gets media coverage. The combination sells tickets and that's good for business.

So, if anyone who sees the play is, as in the past, then moved to commit anti-semitic acts, the festival still has its pound of flesh.

And the quality of mercy is pureed.

Without doubt, those of you who do attend the play this season will see the best Shylock ever — Bedford really is terrific. A little tarnished for me, of course — would have loved to hear he'd refused the part.

But you might want to ask yourself why you're going. It's a lot of money to pay to get aggravated. I, for example, am putting that money into the trust fund I've recently established to give me enough capital, within a few years, for a pair of tickets to *Phantom of the Opera*. Even though my sister-in-law says there 's nothing worth seeing in it but the chandelier.

There are lots of ways to spend time and money in Stratford. Excellent, if generally pricey, dining, a second hand book store that always yields minor treasures, a superb Inuit and native art store. The Shakespearean Gardens are pretty, and let's not forget the required stroll along the Avon, hoping the swans don't bite.

And there are other plays.

Opinion

Community "here to stay"

Jews in Germany aren't "sitting on suitcases"

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

FRANKFURT, West Germany —
Jews in West Germany are no longer "sitting" on their suitcases — a development that bodes well for a community resurrected from the ashes of National Socialism.

For years, the accepted dogma was that the Jews here, primarily Holocaust survivors from Eastern Europe, were merely temporary sojourners. After all, how could *they* live in a nation which spawned Adolf Hitler and where occasional war crimes trials still remind Jews of the awful past?

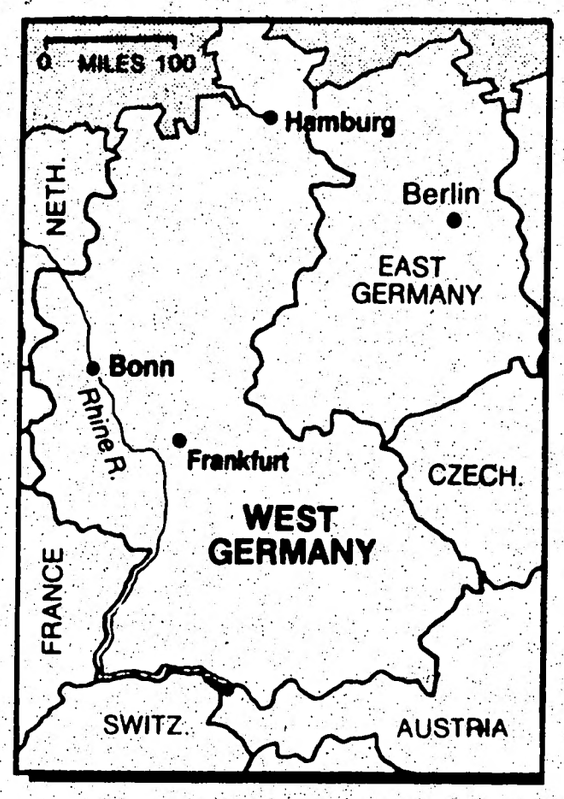
But time heals, and circumstances change, and today Jews in the Federal Republic of Germany appear to have accepted the fact that "they're here to stay," says Stefan Szajak, executive director of the Jewish community centre in this bustling city.

"I would say that Jews are not sitting on their bags anymore," observes Micha Brumlik, a 41-year-old Heidelberg University professor and a member of Frankfurt's city council. "One has to cope with reality."

Heinz Galinski, chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, points out that more Jews are immigrating to West Germany than leaving — something community leaders could scarcely have imagined not so long ago.

From the end of World War II until about 1950, some 200,000 displaced persons of Jewish origin from Eastern Europe passed through Germany, mostly settling in Israel and North America. Very few made a conscious decision to live in West Germany. They simply remained, rebuilding their lives, never really accepting their fate here.

From this nucleus, which included Jews native to Germany, the community grew, supplemented by Jewish immigrants from Hungary, Romania, Israel, Czechoslovakia, Iran and the Soviet Union. The influx from the Soviet Union in particular has been striking. It's estimated that about half the Jews in West Berlin come from the Soviet Union.



The registered 30,000 Jews of West Germany, though concentrated in West Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich, Hamburg, Dusseldorf and Cologne, are scattered throughout some 65 communities.

And as the overwhelming majority of them will tell you, sometimes reluctantly, they have, for better or worse, consciously opted to reside in this pro-Western, pro-Israel, democratic state, which marked its 40th year of existence last month.

One sign of the changing times is the $25 million community centre in Frankfurt, which opened in 1986. Built with government and municipal funds, it houses a synagogue, school, kindergarten, kosher restaurant, auditorium, home for the aged, meeting rooms and youth centre. It is easily the biggest such centre in West Germany today.

According to Szajak, the son of Polish Holocaust survivors, it's symbolic of the gradual revival of Jewish life in the western part of Germany (East Germany, which has no diplomatic relations with Israel, is home to a tiny, dwindling Jewish community.) "Its construction signifies that the community is here to stay. It is becoming more and more normal for Jews not to sit on their suitcases."

Despite this widely acknowledged historic development, scarcely a Jew in West Germany truly feels completely at home, and almost no one will admit to being a "German Jew." Indeed, virtually everyone I spoke to used the phrase " a Jew in Germany" to describe their status.

"There is no such thing as a German Jew," declares Galinksi, an Auschwitz survivor, discouraging comparisons with the pre-1933 community.

Heinz Galinski

German-born Rabbi Ernst Stein, who administers to the needs of the West Berlin community, says the problem is that most Jews are consumed by guilt living in this prosperous nation and that they cannot really admit it to themselves. "Physically, they're here. Spiritually, no." Many young people say they'd rather be somewhere else — Israel or the U.S."

Augsbug-based Julius Spokojny, the only Jewish member of the Bavarian senate, claims that more than 50% of young people in the community actually emigrate. One of his sons, a doctor, practices medicine in the U.S. However, Ludger Heid, a German specialist in modern Jewish history at the University of Duisburg, disagrees with this sombre assessment. "Young Jews are staying. They are the guardians of the memory of German Jews."

Brumlik, whose parents returned to Germany in the early 1950s, considers himself a citizen of the state but not "a member of the German people." Rachel Salamander, the Munich-based proprietor of the only exclusively Jewish bookshop in West Germany, agrees.

Born in a Bavarian displaced persons camp in 1949, Salamander explains: "I belong more to the East European tradition than the German tradition. The problem is the past, the different backgrounds. Jews and Germans have a negative connection. In general, Germans feel uneasy in the company of Jews, although a lot of (Germans) are very sensitive to the problem."

Salamander, who is unmarried, is exceedingly well integrated into German society, but she, too, has thought of emigration.

In Brumlik's view, Germany's descent into Nazi brutality has a direct bearing on contemporary German-Jewish relations — which, he says, can't as yet be "normalized." As he puts it: "Jews in Germany are a living monument of the Holocaust. They remind Germans of their shameful past, and this community is too small to play such a role."

The inability of both sides to "normalize" their relations finds resonance in the government's decision to exempt from the draft Jews whose parents and grandparents were victims of Nazism.

Rachel Salamander

Frankfurt's Jewish community centre.

Szajak himself was not conscripted. "It would have been very strange for me to have worn a German army uniform. In my time there were still officers who could tell you what they did in Poland in World War II." And what about his two sons? I can see them in a German army uniform."

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The demographic factor, such as it is, has worked against the community.

To this day, approximately half of its registered members are over the age of 60 — prompting some observers to ruminate that its future is gravely in doubt.

Szajak acknowledges the problem, but adds that immigration, especially from the Soviet Union, is lowering the mean age.

"The age structure is getting better. In our community centre, we had to open a second kindergarten." Rabbi Stein concurs with his analysis. "The average age of the community has dropped because of Soviet Jewish immigration. The ratio between births and deaths, while still negative, is improving. In West Berlin, for example, we have a good number of children."

According to Galinski, Soviet Jews, especially those with a connection to German culture in the Baltic states, may well determine the community's future. If the flow from the Soviet Union is not staunched, he suggested, some of them will opt to settle in West Germany.

Galinski goes out of his way to emphasize that he is not steering Soviet Jews away from Israel. They choose West Germany of their own free will, he adds.

Julius Schoeps, director of the Salomon Ludwig Steinheim Institute for German-Jewish History at the University of Duisburg, believes that the future of the community lies in the bigger centres, not in small provincial towns.

Schoeps, who claims to have been the first postwar bar mitzvah boy in West Germany, says the intermarriage rate exceeds that of pre-Nazi Germany. "It's about 70%, compared to about 21% in the pre-Hitler era." Szajak claims that about half of these mixed couples raise their children as Jews.

If assimilation poses something of a threat to the community's viability, anti-semitism — which is deeply ingrained in a minority of Germans — does not. In West Germany, open expressions of anti-semitism are strictly taboo and illegal, and the federal government is sensitive to the community's concerns over the small neo-Nazi movement.

Germany being Germany, some Jews here prefer to keep their Jewish identity a secret. Certainly, that is true for the estimated 15,000 Jews who have no formal affiliations with the Central Council of Jews in Germany. And, according to both Schoeps and Friedo Sachser, a senior editor at the Allegemeine Judische Wochenzeitung, the community's national newspaper, it also expresses itself in the request by some Jews to have Jewish publications sent to them in anonymous wrappers.

The consensus is that the community, for all its institutions, suffers from a lack of communal personnel ranging from rabbis to teachers. "It's very difficult to attract rabbis to Germany," says Szajak. "It's almost impossible to import rabbis," says Rabbi Stein, "and hard to get cantors."

Sachser, a non-Jew, says that the community is sorely bereft of the kind of rabbinical leadership that was taken for granted in pre-Hitler Germany.

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The Nachmann affair has not tarnished the community's reputation, but it has caused cleavages within its outwardly unified structure.

The affair came to light in 1988, after the death of Werner Nachmann, the former chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany. Nachmann, it was discovered, had stolen about $12 million in reparation funds.

The funds disappeared, triggered the resignation of the secretary of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, Alexander Ginsburg, and led to a shakeup in the composition of its board of directors.

Szajak says the scandal helped to create a "gap" between the German-born members of the board and their East European-born colleagues. Another effect, he claims, was the loss of confidence in the leadership.

"The scandal, however, has not damaged the community. The German media handled the story very responsibly."

Galinski says that, to his surprise, the Nachmann affair has had no "negative impact." And, he adds, there have been "no calls" for a change in leadership.

Brumlik says the political orientation of the current leadership is less conservative than it was during the Nachmann years. "Galinski was against Nachmann's 'quiet diplomacy,'" says Szajak. "Nachmann's main achievement was twofold — his work on behalf of reparations and his ability to unify the community."

Arno Hamburger, leader of the community in Nuremberg, says he was shocked by the revelations surrounding the Nachmann case. "I knew him quite well. He was a man of standing." But he feels sure that it has not had any real adverse effect on Jews in West Germany.

"Germany will never be Judenrein," he says, using that Nazi term ironically. "Germany would be all the poorer, morally, without the Jews."

It's a point with which Brumlik and others concur. Germany, he explains, "needs" a Jewish community as much as Jewish refugees may need Germany.

With a viable Jewish community in place, West Germany offers the civilized world proof that it has unalterably rejected the Nazi legacy and embraced the principles of freedom, decency and democracy.

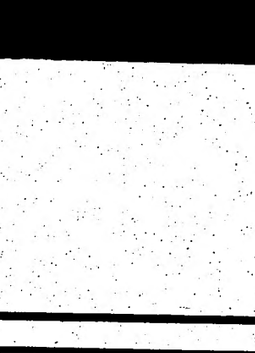
Opinion

Jews, Israel face rough stretch of weather

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Those of us who had been accustomed to friendly or, at least, fair consideration and treatment from our "traditional friends and allies" in Washington or Ottawa have recently been shaken by some demeaning utterances in both countries and especially in Washington.

Most humiliating, in my opinion, was the rude public message that President George Bush of the U.S.A. sent to Israel through his Secretary of State, James Baker. It was delivered at a public meeting of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, which the press describes as "America's leading pro-Israel lobbying group."



J. B. Salsberg

Mr. Baker, aware of course that he was speaking to the world press, gave Israel a public dressing down when he told the present government of Israel: "For Israel, now is the time to lay aside, once and for all, the unrealistic vision of a greater Israel."

In fairness to Mr. Baker it should be added that he also gave Israel's Arab neighbors a blunt talking to, and advised them to accept and to adjust to Israel's permanent presence in the Middle East and to remove their boycott of Israel.

Now, let me state: There is much in Mr. Baker's speech that a great many American and other Jews will not disagree with but who recoil from his message because of the bullying manner in which he delivered it.

It contained an awful lot of ingredients which are usually found in what is called "a political dictat." Such an insensitive, diplomatic speech may only offer an opportunity for Israel's maximalist hard-liners to stonewall their extremist positions.

I wish to state quite frankly that with all respect for Mr. Shamir he has never been my choice as a model for the leadership of the Jewish state. In this space I have often been critical of his policies. I recall the many occasions when I questioned his favorite and frequently recited dictum of "not a foot of our historic borders" will we surrender." But he is the democratically elected Prime Minister of Israel and not even America has the moral right to lecture him in public and bypass the diplomatic channels that exist for the expression of strong opinions between one government and another.

But, why am I so "touchy" and sensitive to matters such as Mr. Baker's "big brother knows best" outpouring towards Israel? I believe that my reaction stems from a deeper, a gut feeling, that our "traditional friends," like the U.S. and Canada, have their own interests and are our friends only when Israel's interests do not clash with their own. But when those two interests do not coalesce even our most friendly states will act in their own interests first. Wouldn't Israel do the same?

It is, as my wise mother would have said, "bitter dem gemeinem," (it's bitter to be poor in a rich environment) or, small may be beautiful, but being big, in this unjust world, and with a lot of muscle may be better, no?

Which reminds me of a once popular dialogue between the late, two great Yiddish monologists, Dzhigan and Shumacher. The time was immediately after World War II. The newly formed United Nations was giving Jewish Palestine and world Jewry a hard time. After one such provocative U.N. action Dzhigan says to Shumacher: "If I could only speak English I would go to the United Nations and tell them what's in my heart and mind. "What," asks Shumacher, "would you tell them?" Replies Dzhigan: "If I could speak English I would go to the United Nations' meeting and I would say to them: Gentlemen, feh! feh! feh!"

All of which adds up, I suppose, to a state of frustration on my part. And this state of helplessness and frustration reached a point of bitterness today when I read this in the Globe and Mail of Saturday, May 27, 1989. "Canada, PLO envoys enjoy improvements in relationship at UN."

Anything wrong with Canadian diplomatic representatives abroad "enjoying" the company of representatives of a "friendly state" like the PLO? After all, Canada has recognized the PLO (on March 30, 1989)! No, nothing wrong. But . . .

My gut feeling tells me that we seem to have entered a new stage in our relationship with the official spokesmen of the Western world. And it seems to me that the "tough" speech of James Baker, the U.S. Secretary of State, delivered to the American Israel Public Affairs Committee recently signals that change most dramatically.

It was meant to tell the Jews to stop dreaming in a realistic world of big power blocks and to behave "sensibly." Our own Joe Clark, the Canadian Minister of External Affairs, said the same thing to Canadian Jews quite recently . . .

I may be wrong, and I would be happy to be proven wrong by coming events, but all that I have learned during a reasonably long stretch of active political life tells me that I'm not wrong in my evaluation of the current scene.

That is why I believe that Israel and world Jewry need to prepare for stormy weather ahead. We will be facing many trials and tribulations. The American Secretary of State, James Baker, predicted such a climatic development. We can't afford to ignore it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 175 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our readers. We reserve the right to edit and revise letters for the sake of clarity and length. Every letter must bear the sender's address, phone number and both handwritten and typed signature.

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BBC RESPONDS

The Canadian Jewish News editorial of April 6 questions why B'nai B'rith Canada does not have strong representation in Ottawa to back up the efforts of the Canadian-Israel Committee.

B'nai B'rith Canada has recently hired a new director of government relations, Ian Kagedan, to enhance our presence and effectiveness in Ottawa. We are confident he will prove to be an important player on issues concerning the Middle East as well as other items of concern to the Jewish community including war criminals, international and domestic anti-semitism, federal government legislation, human rights and all areas requiring advocacy work on behalf of the Jewish community.

As for your criticism implicit in the comment, "B'nai B'rith is busy taking delegations to Poland," it should be understood that such activity does not preclude the organization from functioning fully in Canada. We were in Poland to discuss with Polish authorities issues of concern to Jewish life including the Carmelite Convent in Auschwitz and Polish-Israel relations.

It was the B'nai B'rith Canada mission which brought to the attention of the world that the agreements surrounding the Carmelite Convent were not being adhered to.

You are correct — we must work harder and more effectively to promote improved relations between Canada and Israel in Ottawa. We are attempting to do that and in doing so, we will continue to work to enhance the many aspects of Jewish life in Canada and elsewhere.

Frank Dimant
Executive Vice-President
B'nai B'rith Canada
Toronto

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WHY PICK ON ELAINE?

It is obvious that David Nussbaum (CJN May 18) has a bone to pick with those who are not prepared to sit by silently while ultra-Orthodoxy tries to dominate Jewish life and "call the shots" on religious observance. But why pick on Elaine Kahn?

Because she had the chutzpah to speak out against the deafening silence with which moderate Orthodoxy (if there is such a group) greets the stoning of cars on Sabbath in Jerusalem and the violence against female worshippers at the Wall.

I have scanned the CJN's April 19 Passover supplement, as Nussbaum suggested, and failed to see where the violence against women praying at the Wall was disowned by the ultra-Orthodox.

I resent his labelling Elaine Kahn "as one who has taken it upon herself to act as a Jewish spokesperson." I've always felt that she was voicing her own opinions, and would undoubtedly disclaim acting as a spokesperson for anyone but herself.

Sam Goodman
Toronto

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FAIR TREATMENT

A couple of letters have been published in The Canadian Jewish News complaining about your columnist Elaine Kahn, and I wish to disagree heartily with those letters.

Unlike those who find Ms. Kahn's attitude "self-righteous and haughty," and her writing "tasteless and ignorant," I think Ms. Kahn does her best to be fair in her treatment of often difficult and controversial subjects, and to retain her good humor in the face of some rather distressing narrow-mindedness on the part of some members of our faith.

I find Ms. Kahn's writing thoughtful, deep-feeling, progressive, well-balanced, good-humored, intelligent and pro-women. I applaud her efforts and look forward to continuing to read her work in your publication.

Louise Halperin
Montreal

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CHANGE AT HELM

There will shortly be a change at the helm of The Canadian Jewish News as Maurice Lucow steps down from the lofty position of editor and assumes less onerous duties, in semi-retirement, in the West.

As one who had the privilege of working over many years with Maurice, I did not want this moment to go by without saluting Maurice for the great skill with which he has guided the Jewish community's national weekly. His has not been an easy task, and yet he has managed to form a solid reporting team across the country to report on what is of interest and significance to Canada's Jewish population, with few contesting the wisdom with which he has directed the paper's efforts.

The result have been there to see, in more than 50,000 homes, every week.

Maurice Lucow deserves a national tribute for his long service. There are legions of Jewish journalists — but few of them have been willing to make the commitment to Jewish journalism which Maurice has done.

My best wishes to Maurice Lucow as he launches a new phase in his career.

Joe King
Montreal

Editor's note: Joe King was for 19 years director of communications for Montreal's Allied Jewish Community Services and is currently associate editor of The Senior Times of Montreal.

CALL THEIR BLUFF

As in a game of poker, maybe Israel should call the PLO's bluff on having peace talks. The PLO has been saying it wants to have peace talks because it expects Israel to say no. But I wonder what would happen if Israel were to say yes. That way, we could really see if the PLO is interested in peace as it claims to be.

Mitchell Klinger
Willowdale, Ont.

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Norma Baumel Joseph takes issue with CJN column on women and prayer.

AMBIGUOUS REFERENCES

Rabbi Burak's column (May 18) is a complex blend of ambiguous references and disparaging innuendos. He was asked for his opinion on women and prayer. In his answer, he nowhere says it is prohibited in halacha for women to pray (as we do) with the Torah BECAUSE OF COURSE, IT IS NOT. There is no legal judgment that he can use that would prohibit our actions.

As to the issue of wearing certain garments such as tallitot, there is a legal dispute with both Maimonides and Rabbenu Tam permitting women to wear them. We were careful to follow those rules of procedure basic to a living halacha.

Instead, he uses Aggadah, a biblical story, to imply that our prayer is not proper. Hannah is viewed by the sages of the Talmud as a revolutionary model for a specific type of prayer. We wish to follow her example by using prayer to express ourselves religiously. She taught us to pray in a sacred place in a special way.

The sages were not averse to learning something from a woman. In fact, I would expect Rabbi Burak to follow Eli, the High Priest's example: to listen to a woman, to consider her legitimate religious needs, to understand that women, too, need modes of worship that are public, to give women the benefit of the doubt rather than immediately assuming the worst about our motives. Shma B'Kolah God tells Abraham; please listen to our voices.

Norma Baumel Joseph
Montreal

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CUBAN JEWS NEEDS BOOKS

On a recent trip to Cuba, I had the opportunity to meet with members of the Jewish community in Havana. While the number of Cuban Jews was at one time the fifth largest in Latin America, it now has dwindled to less than 1,000 people.

There are, however, two synagogues still functioning with an aging but active membership. One of these synagogues is located at the Havana Jewish Community Centre, which also houses a Jewish library. A youth group meets at the Centre every Friday night to study Hebrew.

In my conversations with Adela Dworin, librarian at the Community Centre, she lamented that it was almost impossible to obtain Jewish books; that practically the entire library's collection dates from before 1959; and that they felt culturally cut off from the outside Jewish world.

She asked me to issue an appeal to Canadian Jews to send them any books by Jewish authors (novels, non-fiction, poetry, books on Israel) in either English or Spanish.

As well, the youth group needs a series of recorded cassettes to learn Hebrew, as their teacher only spent a short while in Argentina and is not fluent in Hebrew.

They would also appreciate receiving any Beta videocassettes (Jewish or Israeli films).

Any material should be sent to: Rafael Pinto Rodriguez, Centro de Estudios sobre Africa y Medico Oriente, Ave. 3ra No. 1805 e/ y 20, Playa Zona 13, Ciudad de La Habana, Cuba.

David Alper
Montreal

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NOT AN UMBRELLA GROUP

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to Moura Wolpert for her May 11 report on Emunah.

However, there is one correction that needs to be made. She wrote that "Emunah Women of Canada was founded as an umbrella organization for various religious women's groups." Emunah Women of Canada is *not* an umbrella organization for any other groups. It is a religious Zionist women's organization that supports and maintains social and educational institutions throughout Israel.

Emunah Women of Canada was formerly known as Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Canada. It is a member of World Emunah Organization which has headquarters in Israel and which is the umbrella organization for religious Zionist women's organizations in 24 countries.

Baila Aspler
National President
Emunah Women Of Canada
Montreal

World-National

KKK LEADERS MEET

Jordan Gollub (right), former leader of the Mississippi Christian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan listens to Virgil Griffin, head of the national organization during a rally on the steps of the Scott Country Courthouse. Gollub, who now plans to form his own organization, was removed as head of the group because his parents are Jews. [Courtesy of the Jewish Floridian]

Mideast peace plan studied

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The United States will try to hammer out a coordinated Middle East peace strategy with the Soviet Union in June talks between the head of the state department's policy planning staff, Dennis Ross, and the Kremlin's special Middle East envoy, Gennady Terrasov, sources in Jerusalem said last week.

A senior Israeli official said Washington and Moscow appear to be closer than ever to agreement on the principles of a peace strategy. The official cited the shifts in U.S. policy expressed in Secretary of State James Baker's recent address, the developing U.S.-PLO dialogue and the Kremlin's new-found foreign policy flexibility.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said last week in Paris that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's election plan is "interesting," and that it is possible to talk about it, Israel Radio reported.

There were also unconfirmed reports from Arab sources that, contrary to its public stance, Washington is pressing Cairo to agree to a summit between President George Bush, Shamir and President Hosni Mubarak.

A well-placed Israeli source, meanwhile, said the PLO has submitted its conditions for accepting the government's proposal to hold elections in the territories. The conditions include participation of East Jerusalem residents, a cessation of settlement activities, authoritative international supervision and a withdrawal of the Israeli army from what the PLO terms "balloting areas."

The PLO is also demanding prior acceptance of the four U.S. principles for the permanent solution: acceptance of Resolutions 242 and 338, peace for territories, full political rights for the Palestinians and security for all the countries in the region, including Israel.

One Israeli official said these conditions appear far more accommodating than the PLO's public stance, which refers to the withdrawal of the army from the territories.

Gotlieb speaks at Bar-Ilan function

MONTREAL — Allan Gotlieb, Canada's former ambassador to Washington, was guest speaker earlier this week at a gala reception at the Hotel Le Windsor launching the Montreal support drive for the Institute for Research on the Economy of Israel at Bar-Ilan University.

The Toronto drive got under way earlier at a luncheon at the Park Plaza Hotel, co-sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan and the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

David Azrieli, one of the prime movers behind the Institute, met with Ray Wolfe, chairman of the board of The CJN to describe details of the research centre.

The Toronto luncheon was chaired by Aaron Weinstock, president of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Friends.

Addressing the meeting were Benjamin Abileah, consul-general for Israel in Toronto, Danny Fleishman, executive director of the CICC, Azrieli, who developed Israel's first shopping malls, and Kurt Rothschild.

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Ministry under fire for refusing visas

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The interior ministry acted illegally by refusing to grant immigrant visas to non-Orthodox converts and by refusing to register such converts as Jews, attorney Nili Arad, representing the state attorney, told Israel's High Court of Justice last week.

She was speaking during the third and last day of hearings in which the court considered a series of petitions and counter-petitions regarding the registration of non-Orthodox converts. The court had begun hearing the case in January but, apparently expecting that the Law of Return might be amended after the elections, had delayed the case for several months.

Shas and the National Religious Party have challenged the validity of the registration of some non-Orthodox converts. The Association for full Civil Rights in Israel and the Reform movement's Religious Action Centre, as well as a number of other attorneys acting for individual converts, have challenged the interior ministry's present policy of effectively excluding non—Orthodox converts as olim under the Law of Return.

The decision of the Court could have far-reaching implications concerning the Law of Return and the status of Reform and Conservative Judaism in Israel.

During last week's deliberations, attorney Yehoshua Shoffman of ACRI told the court that several converts had been directed to the local rabbinical court for validation of conversion certificates, a procedure he described as unlawful.

In one case, he added, the rabbinical court had questioned the convert and, because he told them he believed in Conservative Judaism, he was told to study for a year and then return to the rabbinical court.

300 women oppose convent

Peaceful protest at Auschwitz

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Three hundred women from 27 countries held a peaceful demonstration outside the Auschwitz death camp last week to protest the continued presence of a Roman Catholic convent on the site.

Organized by the Women's International Zionist Organization, or WIZO, the protest was held in front of the former Nazi storehouse used by 14 nuns of the Carmelite order.

The nuns' presence and the construction of a 23-foot high cross at the former death camp has angered international Jewish groups, who feel the site is of unique Jewish significance.

Calls to move the convent were renewed this year when church leaders missed a February deadline by which they had agreed to transfer the sisters to an interfaith prayer and education centre planned at an undetermined site farther from the camp.

The women, who held a moment of silence, carried an Israeli flag and banners reading, "Leave alone the memory of the millions of Jewish victims" and "Remove the convent — Don't de-Judaize the Holocaust."

Raya Jaglom, world president of WIZO, planned to meet with Wladyslaw Loranc, the Polish minister of religion, to discuss the possibility of removing the convent.

Catholic officials have assured Jewish groups that the nuns will be moved off the site, a former storehouse for the Zyklon-B gas used by the Nazis to kill Jews, but that the new convent for the nuns is not yet ready.

CAR cuts ties to Sudan for stopping flight to Israel

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Central African Republic said last week it was cutting ties with its neighbor, the Sudan, for thwarting a visit by CAR President Andre Kolingba to Israel.

Kolingba, airborne and bound for Tel Aviv was denied permission to fly through Sudanese airspace when his pilot reported their destination to Sudanese air traffic control.

He flew back to Bangui, the CAR capital. The visit has been postponed

Meanwhile, the CAR foreign minister, Michel Gberzera-Bria, who was in Israel to oversee arrangements for the presidential visit, paid a visit to Israeli President Chaim Herzog to express official regrets.

Gbezera-Bria signed a technical and scientific cooperation agreement between his country and Israel before leaving the Jewish state.

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Statements by Baker come at a bad time for Shamir

By
DAN PETREANU

JERUSALEM —

Recent statements by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker could not have come at a worse time for Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

If Shamir had been in Israel when Baker demanded that he "give up the unrealistic vision of a Greater Israel," he might have convened another Likud Knesset faction meeting to calm his troops with "not one inch" rhetoric. Instead, Baker's speech before the America Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) found Shamir hawking his diplomatic wares in Europe with middling success, while his associates tackled growing dissent in the Likud alone.

Although the content of Baker's statement was not a revelation — the American position had long been that, eventually, Israel will have to trade territories for peace — what mattered was the timing, which came just as Shamir was facing mutiny by several key ministers in the Likud.

It is against the warnings issued daily by these ministers — Ariel Sharon, David Levy and Yitzhak Moda'i — that Shamir must convince a skeptical Likud that his plan will not lead to a final settlement of the kind that Baker so clearly spelled out.

Baker shattered what many in the Likud had been given to understand was a major achievement by Shamir: U.S. agreement to put aside differences regarding the final settlement — much as Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin had done — and concentrate on forging ahead with the process of elections and negotiations leading towards the interim arrangement, autonomy, which might actually be acceptable to all sides concerned: the U.S., the Palestinians, and both components of the Israeli government.

Instead, Baker trampled all over the one broken link in Shamir's chain of recent successes: his inability to convince many in the Likud that his plan is not "territories for peace" in disguise.

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The Labor Party reacted to this with the same ambivalence with which it accepted the government's plan. On the one hand, it could hardly attack Baker for making statements that sounded like translated speeches by Shimon Peres. On the other hand, the plan's supporters could not help but be irked by the possibility that radicals in the Likud might be strengthened and the chances for at least some progress damaged.

"It's strange and unnecessary timing," said Minister Gad Ya'acobi. "I don't think it will help the process along. There was no need to state these things now, before the process has gotten off the ground and an Arab partner has been found."

Peres, meanwhile, who has been unhappily sidelined by the government's plan, did not hesitate to point out that Baker's statements "show that the disagreements [between the U.S. and the Likud], which appeared to have disappeared, have resurfaced."

Many in Labor wondered how Defence Minister Rabin — visiting Washington — failed to prevent the development by convincing Baker of the point he has been making in all his appearances in the American media: that the present Israeli government cannot find common ground on the nature of the final solution, and concentrating on this aspect of the plan can only endanger what backing Shamir has until now succeeded in gaining from the Likud.

And if Baker understood this point, wondered Likudniks, what could he have hoped to accomplish by nevertheless emphasizing — and so forcefully — the gaping chasm between the Likud's positions on the final settlement and those of the U.S.?

On this key question, the Citizen's Rights Movement's Yossi Sarid finds himself in rare agreement with the skeptics on the right: "He was signalling the PLO that the U.S. sees 'territory for peace' as a precondition to the final settlement.

Sarid says he "knows with absolute certainty" that the PLO "is ready to accept the elections scheme — this time they won't make Shamir's life easier by rejecting his plan." But to be able to justify accepting to its own rivals, the PLO leadership needs to have several conditions fulfilled — including the participation of East Jerusalem, international supervision of the elections, immunity for its candidates, and American guarantees of a PLO role in the final settlement and the "inevitability of territories for peace."

Baker, therefore, was "laying down the ground rules, so that there will be no misunderstandings later on."

Shamir avoids confrontation

Likud showdown receding

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

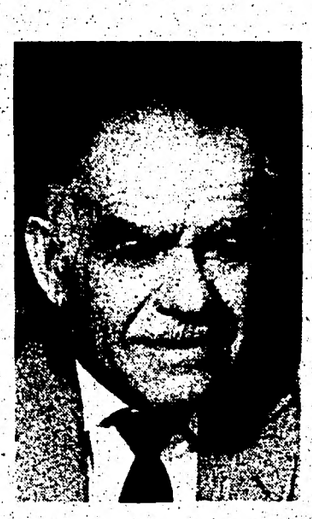
Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, facing fierce opposition within his own party to the idea of Palestinian elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, last week seemed to back off from a showdown in the Likud central committee over the peace plan he has tried to sell to the United States and Western Europe.

Shamir, who had just returned from a weeklong visit to Britain and Spain, told reporters he would bring the plan before Likud's policy-making body "if and when there is a need to decide."

He described the initiative, in its present state, as just "an unhatched egg" and implied he would prefer to defer a decision in Likud until there is an Arab partner ready to accept it.

Shamir replied "no comment" when asked if he thought it likely that the central committee would never be convened to debate the plan.

Shamir charged that Likud members opposed to his diplomatic initiative aim to undermine the national unity government, which he said must be preserved



Yitzhak Shamir

"even at the cost of great sacrifices."

The Prime Minister's office later said officially that a date would soon be set for a central committee discussion, but that none has been set yet.

Shamir's remarks brought angry protests from the Labor side of the unity government, which backs the initiative, and from Likud hard-liners, who oppose it.

Communications Minister Gad Ya'acobi of Labor warned that his party would consider bringing the government down if the initiative fails to materialize.

Ehud Olmert, a Likud minister without portfolio who is close to Shamir, insisted that the Prime Minister is not "scared off" by Likud opposition to his plan. He said that if debate within the party was deferred it would be only for a matter of weeks.

He suggested that the strength of the opposition was exaggerated, saying Shamir had won tougher battles in the past.

But Tzahi Hanegbi, a Likud Knesset member who normally supports Shamir, is firmly against the plan.

"Frankly, I do not understand the Prime Minister's logic," he said. "He submits the plan to the cabinet, to the Knesset, to the United States, France, United Kingdom and Spain.

"He calls it a 'breakthrough.' And now he says it is an 'unhatched egg,'" Hanegbi remarked.

Those views were echoed by Uzi Landau, Michael Eitan and other young Likud Knesset members who normally support the Prime Minister.

The most powerful opponents of the plan are three Likud cabinet ministers: Ariel Sharon and David Levy of the Herut Party (and Likud's main component), and Yizhak Moda'i, who heads Likud's Liberal Party wing.

The plan calls for elections in which the Palestinians would choose representatives with whom Israel would negotiate the terms of a 5-year interim period of self-rule in the territories.

No later than the third year, the same representatives would start negotiations with Israel on the territories' final status.

Demands debate

He observed pointedly that the 3,000-member-Likud Central Committee is bound by the party's constitution to be convened every three months and has not met for more than six. He said any member could obtain a court order to force it to meet.

Hanegbi, who was Shamir's chief of staff in the Prime Minister's office before he was elected to the Knesset last year, demanded a "long and full debate" over the issue.

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World-National

Mitzna describes "explosive situation

Army chief says settlers hampering operations

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The commanding officer of the army central command, Major-General Amram Mitzna, told members of the Knesset's foreign affairs and defence committee touring Judea recently that Jewish settlers are the primary problem as far as army operations in that region are concerned.

Mitzna called on the Knesset members to discourage the settlers from taking independent action and to avoid lending the settlers' retaliatory sorties any legitimacy whatsoever.

"Help us by stopping the settlers' incitement against the Israel Defence Forces," he pleaded. "We are in an explosive situation because of settler attitudes and actions."

At central command headquarters, the Knesset members heard details of interference by settlers with military operations aimed at curbing the intifada, as well as instances of them manhandling and attacking officers and soldiers.

Similar sentiments were expressed in the cabinet by army Chief of the General Staff Lieutenant-General Dan Shomron. "The settlers do not bring about a restoration of calm by what they do. The army needs no prodding to do its job," Shomron told the cabinet at its weekly session, replying to comments following his briefing and that of acting Defence Minister Shimon Peres on recent violence caused by intifada activists and by hotheaded Jewish settlers seeking revenge.

"The army is doing its best," the chief of staff declared.

Communications Minister Gad Ya'acobi called upon the government to take firm action against the settlers and to stop its stuttering in word and deed. While Health Minister Ya'acov Tsur said that if the government continued to show a permissive attitude to the behavior of the settlers, it would lead to a Lebanese-style tragedy.

Justice Minister Dan Meridor said the government must insist that settlers and Arabs alike obey the law. It must likewise assure the welfare and the protection of the two groups, he said. Meridor said he favored a carefully implemented policy of deportations. He said he would ask the High Court to give priority to hearings on appeals by activists against whom deportation orders had been issued.

Meanwhile, the army has decided to take a harder line against settlers who break the law. Soldiers are to be ordered to report fully on each and every case of settlers taking the law into their own hands, police are to take a harder line in arresting Jewish lawbreakers in the territories, and the prosecutor's office is to speed the preparation of charge sheets in such cases.

Prominent West Bank settlers blasted the authority's decision to crack down on Jewish rampagers. Instead of chasing settlers fighting to protect their own lives, the army should put an end to the intifada, which is the cause of all the trouble, the interviewees claimed.

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Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin last week delivered his sharpest denunciation of settler violence to date. Replying to 13 urgent Knesset motions on "recent incidents in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip," the defence minister said the army had orders to hold and deliver to the police any settler taking the law into his own hands.

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In another development, a Likud minister spoke out sharply against a decision by the West Bank Jewish settlement of Ariel to require Arab day laborers to wear special tags with the words "alien worker."

Ehud Olmert, a Likud minister-without-portfolio, called the ostensible security measure "insensitive and unwise." His rebuke was the most outspoken so far from a right-wing politician.

Olmert pointed out that the tag inevitably conjures up images of the yellow Star of David that Jews were forced to wear in Nazi-occupied Europe.

The Jewish people would hardly wish to be thought of as emulating that, Olmert said.

The parallel was also cited by others, but contemptuously dismissed by Mayor Ron Nahman of Ariel.

Meanwhile, eight Jewish settlers remained in police custody — from the two dozen rounded up earlier — on suspicion of a shooting and arson spree in the West Bank Arab village of Kifel Harit last week.

$60,000 in NCJW contributions described in newspaper account

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — A report in the Globe and Mail last week described political contributions in excess of $60,000 from a capital fund of the National Council of Jewish Women (Toronto Section), administered by Patricia Starr.

A number of prominent Liberal Party members, including MP Jim Peterson, brother of Ontario Premier David Peterson, and Elvio DelZotto, president of the Ontario wing of the federal Liberal Party, received contributions from the fund, the Globe quoted a report by the law firm of Goodman & Goodman as saying.

The law firm was retained by the Council after the Globe in February described political contributions from the capital fund administered by Starr. The charity's $251,000 capital fund came mostly from sales tax rebates in connection with a non-profit apartment complex built on Bathurst St. by the Council. Tridel Corp., which is controlled by the DelZotto family, acted as developer.

The capital fund was to go towards reducing rents in the building or paying the mortgage.

Following an investigation and report by lawyer Clifford Lax, the Council reorganized itself, with Starr eventually being replaced as head of the charitable foundation and capital fund. The foundation was made part of the Toronto section, ending its separate status, with Council executive director Dody Rudson becoming the foundation's executive director.

Checks will now be cosigned by at least two people, including Connie Kachuck, vice president of the Toronto section responsible for the charitable foundation. Kachuck, with the aid of a committee working with her, will also be responsible for the Council's Bathurst St. apartment building and the attendant care required there.

Sources confirmed the Globe story as "substantially accurate," adding however that political contributions were not made to one political party alone.

In past interviews with The CJN, Starr has maintained she acted in good faith on behalf of Council, believing her actions were not inappropriate.

Among the contributions made by the capital fund included a $5,300 payment to Jim Peterson's campaign, which included $4,000 in connection with a reception for Soviet Jewry and $1,300 for other costs for his nomination meeting. Peterson acknowledged Starr had acted as a fund raiser for his election campaign, adding he thought the money that was raised came from individuals.

"I was shocked," he told The CJN in describing his reaction in learning of the source of the campaign contributions. He said he was drafting a letter to the Council asking it to specify any inappopriate contributions to his campaign, all of which would be repaid.

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ANSWERS:

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Students' violence reason for closure, embassay responds

UN agency urges Israel to open territories' schools

PARIS (JTA) —

The executive board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization last week called on Israel to reopen at once all schools and educational institutions closed by the military authorities on the West Bank and Gaza.

The board adopted the resolution presented by five Arab countries without a vote by a show of hands. Israel is not a member of the board, while America and Britain walked out of UNESCO five years ago to protest against the organization's anti-Western bias.

Israel's delegate, Ambassador Ya'acov Aviad, protested the resolution, saying that the only reason for the schools' closure was the Israeli authorities' desire to maintain order and security.

The UNESCO resolution, which will be presented to the general conference when it meets in autumn, said the school's closure "has dramatically increased illiteracy in the occupied territories and infringes on the basic human rights of the inhabitants."

The board is due on June 19 to examine a request to admit the PLO as a full member under the name "Palestine State."

If the board approves and recommends the PLO's admission, the request will go before the general conference when it convenes. Under UNESCO's charter, a two-thirds majority is needed for the admission of new member states.

Diplomatic sources say several Arab states have offered to adjourn the debate on the PLO's request for admission until September on condition that Palestinian schools be reopened at once.

In another development, the 12-member European Community currently chaired by Spain, issued a joint statement expressing its "serious concern" over the "persistent decision" of the Israeli authorities to keep the schools closed.

The statement called on the Israelis to "reconsider urgently" their policy of shutting down schools, including those run by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees.

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OTTAWA —

PLO agitation among school children, encouraging them to attack Israelis with Molotov cocktails and stones, is the prime reason government authorities have closed schools in the territories, the Israeli embassy stated in a news release last week.

"The Palestine Liberation Organization has made clear that in its view even children are not to be spared in its conflict with Israel," the release stated. "Thus...the PLO has used children as instruments of violence, knowing the participation of youngsters will be covered by the media and generate sympathy."

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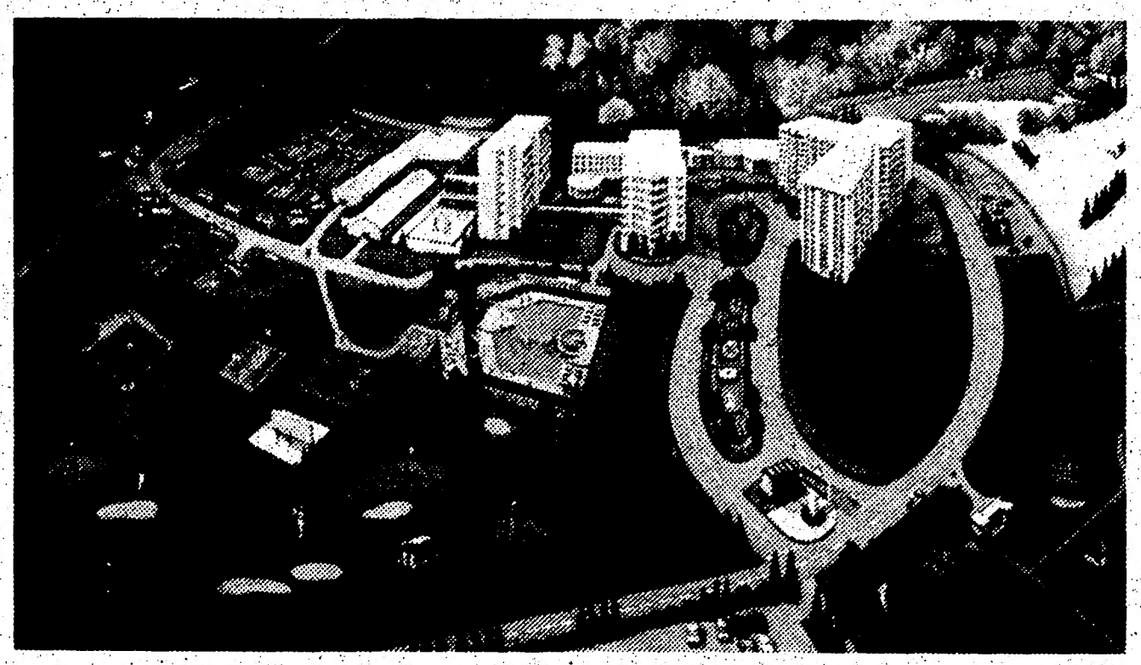

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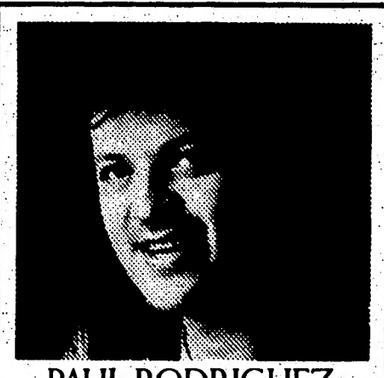

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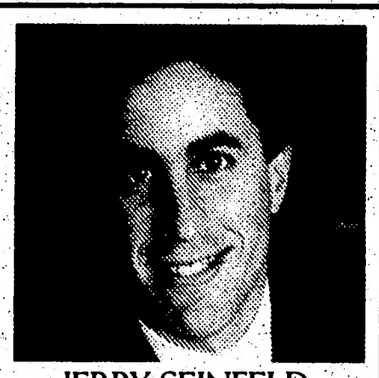

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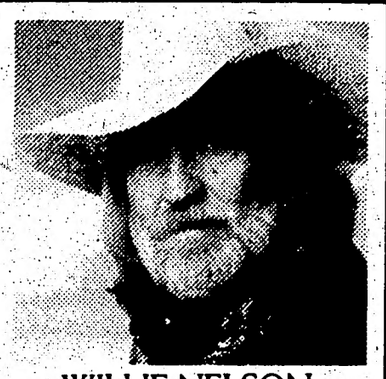

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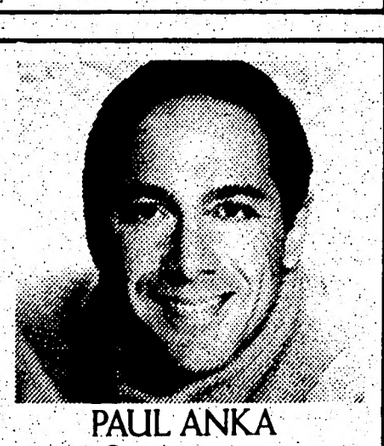

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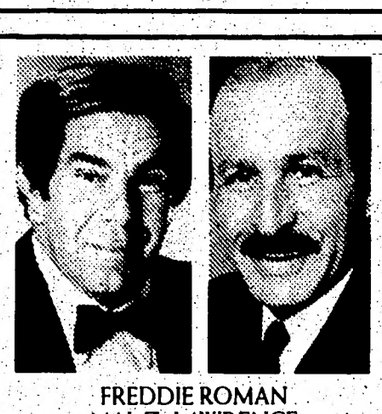

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World-National

Call for anti-semitism study

Jewish activists hold meeting in Riga

NEW YORK (JTA) — Five Soviet Jewish activists last week presented to three of the 10 Jewish deputies to the newly elected Soviet Congress a document which calls for the creation of an independent commission to study the problem of anti-semitism.

The text also called for the registration of all Jewish organizations, according to a report from the National Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Their act was a follow-up to the convening last week of a conference of Jewish activists in Riga, an historic gathering that discussed and wrote into documents the problems Jews in the Soviet Union face.

Moreover, the document given to the deputies and others that were drawn up at the Riga conference were forwarded to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

This is the first time that the Soviet political leadership has received documents from Jewish activists requiring a formal response, reported Alexander Shmukler to the National Conference. He was the only Refusenik among the presenters.

Among the requests made at the Riga conference was a call for specifically Jewish deputies to that body. The delegates said, for instance, that representation from the Jewish Autonomous Region in Birobidjan is insufficient because only one-half of 1% of Soviet Jews live there.

Of major concern at the conference was the absence of full recognition of Jewish groups by the central Moscow government. Cultural centres and schools are accredited by local authorities.

The conference allotted considerable time to reports on aggressive anti-semitic activities by various local groups, including mention of the Teetotalers Movement, Moldavian Karelians, and Zionology.

A conference document states, "Anti-semitism today has become a powerful factor stimulating the growth of emigration."

Egyptian naval boat wounds Israeli fisherman

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — An Israeli fisherman was seriously wounded last week when an Egyptian naval boat opened fire on his small craft.

Shlomo Yisraeli, 42, went fishing off Taba, along with his son and a friend. They were approached by an Egyptian naval vessel in mid-sea and ordered to stop. For reasons that are still unclear, Yisraeli refused and the Egyptians fired a few warning shots in the air. Yisraeli still did not stop and the Egyptians then fired a few more rounds, wounding him in the hip and causing profuse bleeding.

Israeli police said Yisraeli was equipped with all the permits needed for fishing in the area and had notified local authorities before setting sail.

Jerusalem is taking a very grave view of the shooting and is expected to lodge a strong protest with Egypt after Cairo clarifies the details of the incident.

Officials in Jerusalem said that while Cairo may have a legitimate grievance against Israeli yacht-owners, Israel cannot accept the resort to such extreme measures. The officials expressed confidence that the Egyptian inquiry would reveal that the shooting was initiated at a very low level, and that it would be condemned by Egyptian authorities.

Navigation and fishing rights off the Sinai Coast have long been a source of friction between the Egyptian navy and Eilat-based shipowners, but this was the first time that the Egyptians opened fire in order to assert their rights over the area.

In talks between Israeli and Egyptian officials in Cairo in April, the Egyptians had pledged they would prevent further incidents of Egyptian coast guard boats ramming Israeli vessels. They also pledged to build a port of entry to the Sinai coast at Taba, in addition to the point at Sharm el Sheikh.

Cairo allows Israeli vessels to enter its territorial waters off Sinai only through the port of entry at Sharm el Sheikh, and does not allow any fishing without a specially-issued permit.

The Egyptian military liaison unit provided an account of the incident which was at great variance with the Israeli version of events. According to the Egyptians, the vessel had been sailing ten kilometres south of Coral Island, only 20 metres away from the coastline.

According to the Egyptian version, the naval ship sounded its horn to warn the Israeli ship away, and Egyptian sailors said that they saw the Israelis throwing unidentified objects into the water.

UN forces extend stay in Mideast

NEW YORK (JTA) — **The Security Council agreed unanimously last week to a month extension of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, the UN peacekeeping force stationed between the Syrian and Israeli armies in the Golan Heights.**

In his letter recommending the move to the Security Council, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said that despite the quiet in the area, there could be no peace "until a full settlement was reached."

In 1981, Israel extended civilian law and administration to the residents of the Golan Heights areas it captured in the Six-Day War. The region's final status is still negotiable under Security Council resolutions 242 and 338.

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Non-commissioned officer killed in battle with terrorists

TEL AVIV (JTA) — An Israeli non-commissioned officer was killed Sunday in a gun battle with terrorists attempting to infiltrate into Israel from southern Lebanon.

He was identified as Sgt. Maj. Hassin Muktaran, a Druze from Subbakh village.

Two other Israel Defence Forces soldiers were slightly wounded and three terrorists were killed.

The clash, along the border fence less than a mile from the Israeli settlement of Misgav Am, was the fourth infiltration attempt in eight days to be foiled by the IDF and the first in which the IDF suffered a fatality.

Nine terrorists have been killed and two captured since the latest wave of border raids on May 28.

The terrorists killed Sunday were identified as members of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a Syrian-based gang headed by Nayef Hawatmeh.

The terrorists killed or captured in the earlier attempts were also linked to splinter groups at odds with Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat for being too "moderate."

In Haifa, meanwhile, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin warned the Lebanese living north of Israel's proclaimed security zone that their lives would become hell if they allowed tererorists to fire Katyushas into Israel.

Rabin said that Israel should maintain "a close watch and a low profile" regarding current Syrian moves in Lebanon.

He said that, at present, he sees "a deep division in Lebanon, a deep division in the Arab world and an interest on the part of the international community to prevent an escalation of the Christian-Syrian confrontation in Lebanon."

U.S. meets with PLO reps to advance the peace process

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The United States and the Palestine Liberation Organization met in Tunis last week to try to "find concrete steps that would move the peace process forward," the state department said in a statement posted for reporters.

The department said the meeting was "in the context of our regular dialogue," which began last December following PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's renunciation of terrorism.

The United States reportedly held the meeting in preparation for a third full-round of talks planned for early June. A state department source said one news report from Tunisia he has seen cites a June 8 date for the next meeting, **but could not confirm it as part of U.S. plans.**

U.S. ambassador to Tunisia Robert Pelletreau, the sole U.S. diplomat allowed to talk to the PLO, met with Hakam Balaoui, the PLO's representative in Tunis.

The Balaoui-Pelletreau informal discussion was not a meeting "in the fuller sense," the source said, explaining that the formal U.S.-PLO meetings are those between Pelletreau and Yasser Abed Rabbo, a member of the PLO's 15-member executive committee. Pelletreau and Balaoui have met much more frequently.

The source would not attribute the scheduling of the meeting to any particular development in the Middle East, except that it was a "natural" response to recent developments.

Those include Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's formal presentation of his plan for Palestinian elections for autonomy in the territories, and the recent Arab summit in Morocco.

On a related subject, the source denied former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban's contention recently that the United States is mediating between Israel and the PLO.

Eban, who was interviewed on a cable network program, argued that the United States is negotiating on behalf of both parties based on its traditional role of trying to resolve Arab-Israeli disputes.

"He can say that if he wants to," the source said. "It is not negotiating that we are doing."

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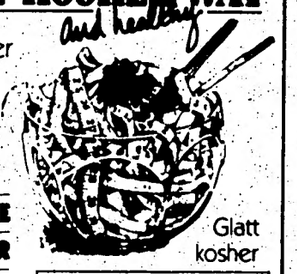
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Aelita to head up Caravan's Jerusalem Pavilion

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —

Star performer Aelita will head up entertainment at this year's Jerusalem Pavilion during Caravan in June, says pavilion coordinator Marcel Wieder.

The Latvian-born singer will be joined by such notables as songstress Ahuva, the Village Dancers, conductor-arranger Bernie Senensky and his ensemble, choreographer Collette Carr, and performer-writer Wayne Harrington.

The pavilion — to be open June 17 to 24 at the Bloor St. Jewish Community Centre — is being run for the 12th year in a row by B'nai B'rith Canada.

"We hope to inspire people to visit Israel as soon as possible," says Rabbi David Monson, the pavilion's honorary chairman.

Chairman Connie Kachuck says organizers want to show good things about Israel's capital city.

"We're trying to show the world what Jerusalem is. I think people hear too much about its negative aspects, so this will be from a positive aspect."

Among the things planned are booths promoting Israel tourism, and Jerusalem-based organizations such as Hebrew University and the Yad Vashem holocaust museum, Wieder says.

Last year, the pavilion attracted more than 15,000 visitors — the third highest attendance at Caravan's approximately 40 pavilions. Most visitors were not Jewish, Wieder says.

"It's an excellent opportunity to show our fellow Torontonians a little bit about Israel," he says.

An art exhibit is planned, along with locally catered kosher Israeli food, including such delectables as falafel, Israeli salad, and techina, pureed chick peas.

The stage show will focus on Jerusalem's history.

Contributions are being sought to help cover the pavilion's operating costs which last year was more than $40,000.

For more information, call Wieder at (416) 633-6224.

Aelita

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Bernie Senensky

Ont. foster care plan to benefit JF & CS

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

The provincial government's decision to increase funding for foster care in Ontario is expected to eventually benefit Jewish Family & Child Service.

Gord Wolfe, executive director of JF & CS, welcomed the government's move to increase funding for foster care by over $8 million, saying the lack of adequate compensation made it difficult to attract foster parents.

"The program is still not at levels it should be, but it is better than before," said Wolfe.

Community and Social Services Minister John Sweeney said the province would be allocating $6.7 million for new initiatives to promote foster care, while municipalities would provide $1.4 million effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Under the plan, which will be developed jointly with the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies (OACAS), $2.5 million will go towards increasing the daily minimum rate paid to a foster parent to $14 per child.

This minimum rate covers costs for room and board and is expected to benefit approximately 44 of the province's 54 Children's Aid Societies. In some regions the rate is as low as $7.45 a day.

Wolfe said this increase will not reach JF & CS as the Jewish agency increased its rates last year to remain competitive with other Children's Aid Societies in Toronto. Metro's rate now is about $21 a day.

"We felt we could not be paying less than other agencies in Toronto," he said. "We need to be fair to foster parents."

Wolfe said JF & CS should benefit from an additional $5 million which will be allocated to the regions to increase rates beyond the minimum level and to improve supports for foster parents, based on local needs and issues.

These allocations will be determined on the recommendations of regional committees which will include senior ministry and children's aid society staff.

"Important as it is to increase the rates to foster parents, it is equally important to enhance support to foster parents throughout the province," said Sweeney.

"Foster parents are being asked to take on youngsters with multiple problems, and who may have suffered physical or sexual abuse," the minister added. "Helping such children calls for special training, regular relief and available help from foster care workers when difficulties arise."

To assist with these children, the government has earmarked $500,000 for training and demonstration programs.

At the same time, the ministry, OACAS and foster parents are working on the Residential Family Resources Project to develop a plan for the long term improvement of foster care services.

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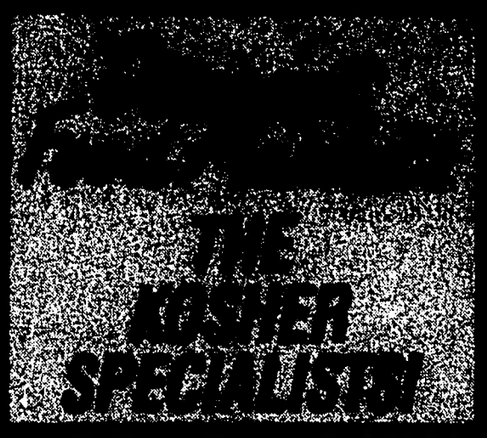

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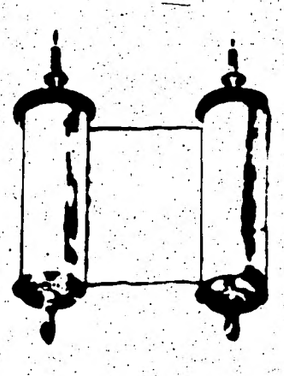

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Shavuoth 5749 / June 9th, 10th

Shavuoth is a lovely, sometimes neglected holiday, when homes and synagogues are festooned with flowers.

We recall the golden time when the roads of Eretz Yisrael were filled with families oleh regel — bringing up the first fruits to the Temple — the echo of flutes and hand-drums in the air, rejoicing, celebrating.

Rabbi Gottesman

We recreate the time when the Heavens opened and the Torah was handed down amidst thunder and lightning on Mount Sinai. We all stood there. We all trembled to the words: "Anochee Hashem Elokecha! . . . I am the Lord your God. . . ."

We still stand at Sinai. The holiday is called "Chag matan Torateinu . . . The Festival of the Giving of our Law." Why not call it "Chag Kabolat Torateinu . . . The Festival of Receiving of our Law?" After all, the joy was in the receiving, not the giving?

Answered the saintly Chidushay Hareem: The Giving was just once in history, at Sinai, back then. But the receiving? The receiving is every day, every moment, Every moment a Jew stands and makes a choice: will I marry the Torah? Study her? Keep her commandments? Be part of an Eternal History?

Choice. Every Jew chooses. As some of my readers may recall, we have been tracing the progress of a young man, who began studying the *aleph beth* with me a few years ago, and last year moved up to studying in a Jerusalem yeshiva. Here is an excerpt of his latest correspondence:

". . . I start the day working on translating Chumash and looking into some Rashi. Afterwards, I learn Mishnayot with one rabbi individually. I think he has five of the seders (orders of Mishneh) memorized. Right now, we are doing the more uncommonly studied Mishnayos. Presently, we are learning Kinim.

"After Mishnayos, the rest of the day is devoted to Gemorah. In the morning we are learning the beginning of the second perek (chapter) of Kiddushin in a more iyun (detailed) fashion.

"The class is a real opportunity because we are learning with one of the highest rabbis in the yeshivah, who is also a posek. I think he is trying to give us the approach to Gemorah that he learned at Mir. The subject matter is very interesting itself — *shlichiut lidvar aveirah* (sending someone on a sinful mission). In the afternoon is the *bekius shiur* (wide-ranging). So all in all, I keep busy with my learning. . . ."

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There is a beautiful custom to stay up the night of Shavuoth and recite the Tikkun Layl Shavuoth, a digest of the whole written and Oral Torah.

The brilliant Vilna Gaon read the Tikkun Layl Shavuoth, while next to him the Dubner Maggid studied a page of Talmud. "Dubner Maggid," asked the Vilna Gaon, "why do you not read from the Tikkun?"

"I will answer you with a parable," responded the Maggid. "Once a father-in-law urged his son-in-law to start a business. He gave him some money. The son-in-law bought stock and set it all in the window of his new store.

" 'No, no,' remonstrated the father-in-law. 'You are just supposed to put samples in the window, not the whole stock.'

"Answered the son-in-law: 'When a person has a large store with much stock, then he just puts a sample of each item in the window. But when there is little stock to show, then everything goes in the window!'

"So also with you and me," continued the Dubner. "You have a great store of Torah so you can read a little sample of each on Shavuoth. But I have just a little store of Torah, so I must put it all out!"

Chag Sameach!

Gostick speaks to group

Barrie churches condemn racism

By
PAUL LUNGEN

BARRIE —

An association of Barrie-area Protestant churches recently issued a statement condemning anti-semitism and racism.

The public pronouncement, drafted at a meeting of the Barrie and District Ministerial Association, came following the appearance of publisher Ron Gostick at a meeting of the Alliance for the Preservation of English in Canada.

Gostick, a resident of Flesherton, Ont., is director of the Canadian League of Rights, an organization that distributes a variety of publications, including works that claim the existence of an international Jewish conspiracy and which question the Holocaust.

Many of his books and pamphlets was used in class as source material by former Alberta school teacher Jim Keegstra, convicted of promoting hatred against Jews. The Alberta Court of Appeal overturned his conviction, ruling the law unconstitutional. The Supreme Court of Canada is expected to give a final legal determination on the law's validity.

In mid-April, Gostick appeared as a guest speaker at an APEC meeting, where he presented his views on the language controversy in Canada.

According to Shirley Cathers, president of the Barrie chapter of APEC, Gostick was invited to speak because of his views on bilingualism. She said she had no idea about his views about Jews and at no time at the meeting did he discuss those opinions.

APEC, she added, is "not anti-semitic."

A report in the Barrie Examiner newspaper indicated that much of the material available through Gostick's mail-order house was also available at the APEC meeting.

Cathers told The CJN that the 3-year-old group, which opposes French as an official language, has no plans to invite Gostick to address it again, though she would not rule out that possibility in the future.

Canon David Busby, rector of the Trinity Anglican Church and president of the Ministerial Association, said the group's statement was issued because of a concern about those who deny the Holocaust.

The statement read: "We the Ministerial Association of Barrie and District, affirm the conviction that the Jewish people are our ancient spiritual ancestors and deserve a special place in Christian thought and action. We therefore condemn and oppose any form of anti-semitism and racism."

According to Manuel Prutschi, director of Canadian Jewish Congress' community relations committee, Gostick "sells a whole variety of materials including books and pamphlets" that refer to conspiracies.

Gostick, who is originally from Alberta, is a vestige of the old Social Credit Party before it rid itself of an anti-semitic strain, Prutschi said.

"The Canadian League of Rights has a blueprint for Canadian society," Prutschi added. "It has to be of British origin, white, monarchist and Protestant Christian."

The church group was spurred to issue its statement at the urging of David Mair, who described himself as "a Quaker, and a concerned individual."

Mair, who teaches business management and business law, wrote to The CJN expressing concerns that Gostick will be invited back to Barrie to address a future rally organized by Alliance Ontario, an association unaffiliated with APEC but which is against "forced French in our society," according to Alliance spokesman Vona Mallory.

Mallory said it was not yet clear there would even be such a rally.

Modai criticizes plan for vote

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

Elections for Palestinians to take part in peace negotiations can't possibly be free and democratic, says Israeli Economics and Planning Minister Yitzchak Modai.

The Arab population in the territories is under the thumb of terrorists who kill anyone who tries to cooperate with Israel, said Modai, who voted against Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's peace plan.

"They don't throw stones (at their enemies) — they hang them."

The Middle East is "another part of the world, with another mentality," he told The CJN in an interview prior to his recent appearance at a dinner sponsored by Canadian Friends of Yeshivat Hesder at Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation in Thornhill.

Israeli willingness to have elections and peace talks and its reluctance to use force to crush the intifada are interpreted by the Arabs as a sign of weakness, he said.

"In my view," Modai said, "there is no limitation to the measures used to combat terrorism, legal, force or any other means."

Modai said he is in a minority in the Israeli cabinet, most of whom support Shamir's peace plans. "But I have to follow my own heart."

Israel, Modai said, is strong enough to not need support in wars. "What we need from the Diaspora is political support, public relations support, and most of all, involvement in our economy through investment."

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Rosenfeld outlines many challenges facing his successor

Charles Diamond takes over as president of TJC

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Long-time community activist Charles Diamond is the new president of Toronto Jewish Congress, TJC's 14th annual meeting was told recently.

Diamond replaces Herb Rosenfeld, who headed the city's central communal and social service agency since 1987.

Diamond, who co-owns Beaver Canoe, the apparel manufacturer, is no stranger to the community scene. He's served as chairman of the powerful social planning committee of TJC, and has long been involved in the United Jewish Appeal.

In addition to Diamond's election, the following TJC officers were picked:

Vice-presidents: Jack Chisvin, Sheila Engel, Judy Gwartz, Harry Krakowsky, Adrienne Offman, Gella Rothstein and Gerald J. Shear.

Treasurer: George Wasserstein; assistant treasurer: Michael Benjamin; assistant secretary: Sandy Brown; legal counsel: Phil Alter and honorary officer: Joseph Salsberg.

In a tight race, Penny Offman defeated Gerda Frieberg for the position of secretary.

Twelve other community leaders, representing United Jewish Appeal, Canadian Jewish Congress, United Israel Appeal, Board of Jewish Education and Jewish Women's Federation, became officers by virtue of their positions.

An executive committee and new members of the Toronto Jewish Congress Council were also announced.

Rosenfeld outlined the many challenges facing his successor: Toronto, he said, has the fastest-growing Jewish fund raising campaign in the world, a burgeoning Jewish population with a wide spectrum of rich and poor, young and old, and where half of all Jewish children begin school in the Jewish day school system.

As well, Toronto has the fourth largest UJA campaign in North America, he said.

One priority facing TJC is the sharp increase expected in the number of Soviet Jewish immigrants to Toronto, Rosenfeld said.

Another is to continue pressing the Ontario government for full funding of independent schools, which include Jewish day schools.

In his remarks, Diamond thanked his predecessors and vowed to maintain the standards they set.

Linda Kahn, a past recipient of the Shem Tov Award, which recognizes volunteers in the Jewish community, presented this year's award to the following lay leaders:

Harriett Borins of the Jewish Camp Council; Wendy Litwack Eisen, co-chairman of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, CJC, Ontario Region; Richard Lorie of the Jewish Community Center; Dr. Ralph Shedletsky of Senior Care; Joseph Skolnik of Jewish Vocational Services and Gerald Slan of Jewish Family & Child Service.

The Leadership Development Award was presented by Aaron Brotman to Glennie Lindenberg and Marshall Kesten, while the Ben Sadowski Award of Merit, presented by Dr. A.A. "Bucky" Epstein, went to Allan Offman.

In his keynote address, Leonard Fein, founder of Moment Magazine, said "these are not the best of times" with respect to Israel.

Fein said he senses a growing alientation from Israel by young people. "The graduating class of 1989 was born in 1967, and their perception of Israel is not softened by memory."

On Capitol Hill in Washington, legislators' support for Israel "is moved not out of love for Israel, but for purely political considerations."

He called on detractors and critics of Israel to be more discreet.

"Love and truth may coexist. We can be a close and candid friend of Israel, but we cannot be generals or even foot soldiers," he said.

Fein fears his generation's affinity to Israel won't be passed to children in the atmosphere created by the intifada.

"We cannot teach our children compassion without teaching them compassion for Palestinian children. A defense of Israel based on denial or self-righteousness will not work."

Herb Rosenfeld (left), Leonard Fein (centre) and Charles Diamond.

France-Israel tourism

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Israel and France signed a tourism treaty last week, with visiting French Tourism Minister Olivier Stirn signing on behalf of the French government along with his host and Israeli counterpart Gideon Patt.

Stirn said he hoped to double tourist traffic between the two countries over the next three years, from the current annual level of around 125,000 travelers. Three segments of tourism which Stirn particularly wants to develop are backpackers, visits, to rural areas and villages and health tourism.

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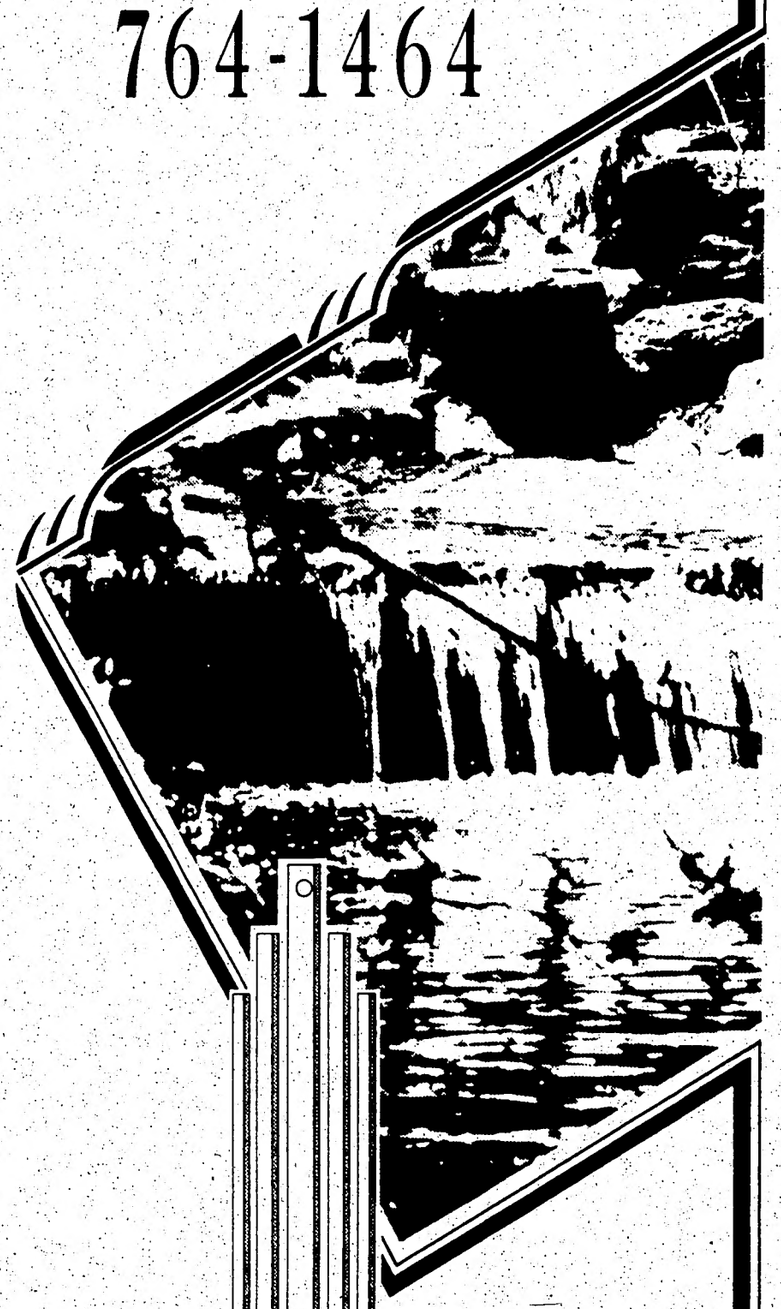

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Maurice Lucow is applauded

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Maurice Lucow will be remembered as an editor who helped transform The Canadian Jewish News into a large, widely read community paper with high standards, says the executive director of Toronto Jewish Congress.

"Under Maurice's leadership and tutelage, we've seen The Canadian Jewish News grow and develop into one of the outstanding Jewish newspapers in North America," Steve Ain said.

"I think it's no small credit to you, Maurice, that we in Toronto express our profound gratitude to you for giving us such a responsible vehicle in terms of an independent community newspaper."

Ain made the comments at a recent farewell reception held in honor of Lucow, who steps down this week from a 9-year term as CJN editor.

The paper's new editor is Patricia Rucker, who returns to The CJN after three years at Queen's Park.

More than 80 CJN staff members, Jewish organization officials and others attended the 2-hour afternoon event held at the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre.

The reception was organized by a committee representing Lucow's associates in the Jewish community field.

Ain, who first met Lucow in 1971 when they both worked for Jewish organizations at 150 Beverley St., praised the 71-year-old editor as having treaded "extremely well" the fine line of representing the many viewpoints of Canada's diverse Jewish community.

Lucow, who moves at the end of this month to Victoria with his wife, Marion, to develop broader coverage for the paper in British Columbia and Alberta, was presented with a Zenith video cassette recorder and two blank tapes.

Rucker, who worked from 1983-86 under Lucow as a CJN reporter, called the newspaper and public relations veteran, whose career has spanned more than 50 years, a "hard act to follow."

"He was a tough editor," Rucker said.

"He was a good editor. He told it like it was and he set a standard of credibility for the paper — a standard of professionalism that is a very, very high standard to live up to."

In his farewell address, Lucow praised CJN board chairman Ray Wolfe, who he called a "hands off" publisher.

"Aside from giving me a booklet, which had a few guidelines — with which I fully agreed — he gave me a completely free hand to develop the paper in my own fashion," the Winnipeg-born newsman said.

Outgoing CJN editor Maurice Lucow (left) is presented with a VCR by David Marks (right) and Steve Ain. [Belinda Silberman photo]

"I don't recall at any time in the nine years of our relationship any instructions that a story must run or any instructions to kill a story or any criticism of stories that we printed."

Wolfe's hands-off policy extended to the entire board of directors, Lucow added.

"They've never asked for or expected space for their pet projects. It's been a perfect setup and one that most editors would envy."

Lucow, who also thanked board member Don Carr for his legal and other advice, stressed his move to step down from the editor's post was entirely voluntary.

"Thanks to Ray's goodwill, I was able to work well past the usual retirement age," he said.

"But finally, last August, when I decided that I didn't want to work full time anymore — the paper was getting too big — Ray readily agreed with my suggestion to retire from the editorship and to take on part time the job of developing more features and stories from the West, especially British Columbia, which now has the third largest Jewish population in Canada."

Lucow said he would never have succeeded as editor without help from Gary Laforet, now the paper's general manager, who he described as a "young man knowledgeble about almost everything you have to know about running a paper."

He also praised advertising and assistant general manager Vera Gillman, "under whose leadership our super sales staff has been able to provide the dollars my continually expanding editorial budget required."

Lucow's final word of thanks went to his wife, Marion, an experienced newspaperwoman in her own right, who he said deserved to share his tribute.

"Marion, an unpaid member of the staff, scans the morning papers for me daily while I'm shaving and before I leave for the office makes certain I have a handle on all the important stories," he said.

"Then, later in the day, after a constant watch on the CNN news network, tips me off if stories are breaking that I should know about."

Other speakers included David Marks, former resource development director of Mount Sinai Hospital Foundation; and Ben Kayfetz, retired CJC national community relations director.

The reception committee included Marks, Sam Ruth, consultant to the Baycrest Centre Foundation; Ben Schneider, former executive director of Toronto Jewish Congress; Beverley Stern, development officer for Baycrest Centre Foundation; and Kurt Weinberg, former executive director of the Jewish National Fund of Ontario.

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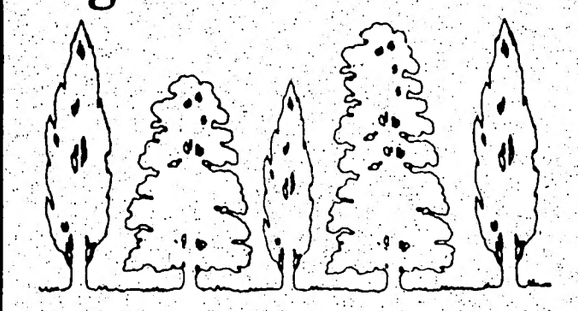

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Organizations and People

Shamir advisor urges support for peace plan

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Despite the bitter debate which took place in the Knesset before the passage of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's peace plan last month, an adviser to Shamir said the plan, which includes the holding of elections by Palestinians in the territories, represents "the national consensus" in Israel.

Yaacov Cohen, who was in North America in May, was sent abroad by the Prime Minister's Office to gain support for the plan among Diaspora leaders and intellectuals. In Canada, he visited Montreal and Toronto.

In an interview, Cohen said these elections will allow the Palestinians to choose their own representatives to conduct negotiations for a transitional period of self-rule. The plan states categorically that Israel will not negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

This period, said Cohen, will constitute a "test for co-existence and co-operation." The plan, which has been presented to the U.S. and Soviet governments, as well as to Canada, stipulates that a permanent solution will be negotiated at a later stage with the intention of establishing peace between Israel and Jordan.

This 2-stage plan is based on United Nations resolutions 242 and 338, upon which the Camp David Accords were founded, said Cohen, who was ambassador to Japan from 1985-88 and chairman of the organizing committee of Shamir's solidarity conference with Diaspora leaders in March.

The plan foresees a 5-year transitional period. As soon as possible, but not later than the third year after the beginning of the transitional period, negotiations for achieving a permanent solution will begin.

In addition to Israel and the Palestinians' elected representatives, Jordan and Egypt are to be invited to participate in the negotiations, the plan states.

Palestinian self-rule during the transitional period will allow the Arab inhabitants of the territories to "conduct their affairs of daily life" under the authority of those representatives elected for the peace negotiations. Israel would continue to be responsible for security, foreign affairs and all matters concerning Israeli citizens living in the West Bank and Gaza.

The elected Palestinians will be involved in negotiations both for the interim agreement for the transitional period and permanent solution. Israel expects a halt to the violence in the territories as a precondition for the elections.

Cohen said that Israel expects some concrete signs of moderation from the Arab states in exchange for taking this peace initiative, which he referred to as "confidence-building measures."

These include cessation of the state of war between Israel and the Arab countries, except Egypt; an end to the Arab economic boycott of Israel and businesses with ties to Israel; rescinding of the UN "Zionism is racism" resolution; and Arab assistance in establishing a fund for Arab refugee relief. Israel has proposed a $2 billion fund for the construction of homes and creation of employment for the Arabs in the territories.

Cohen said the Arab states should contribute to this fund as a "humanitarian gesture" even before self-rule is implemented. "The ball is now in the Arab court," he said.

Former Loblaws president

Leon Weinstein dies at 81

TORONTO —

Leon Weinstein, one of Canada's leading grocery executives, died last week in Mount Sinai Hospital of heart complications. He was 81.

A former head of his family's business, Power Super Markets, he became president of Loblaws when it bought out Power in 1953. As chief of that chain, he introduced ethnic foods in his stores and, in the 1960s, a "hot line" to deal directly with customers' complaints. He also warned grocery executives against spending too much money on packaging.

His friends included other successful Jewish retailers such as Ed Mirvish and the late Sam (Shopsy) Shopsowitz. He and Weinstein, both music lovers, would often perform together. Weinstein played violin; Shopsowitz, the accordion.

In fact, Weinstein, who collected musical instruments, acquired a 1717 Stradivari violin, a Guarneri and several antique miniature fiddles.

Both men also backed several stage productions.

Rabbi Dow Marmur of Holy Blossom Temple says Weinstein helped launch many people's careers.

"He gave Ed Mirvish his first job and Ed Mirvish remembers him as his father and his friend."

Marmur recalls Weinstein as a vibrant, caring personality.

Leon Weinstein

"You could see his warmth and his generosity and his affection for life in his face."

A former president of B'nai B'rith, Weinstein was also head of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews and a founder of the Variety Club of Ontario. He also worked hard to welcome Chinese immigrants to Toronto.

A fan of horseracing, hockey, football and baseball, Weinstein was a domed stadium backer as early as the late 60s. After SkyDome became a reality, he would jokingly tell former Metro chairman Paul Godfrey that he owed him tickets.

Weinstein leaves his wife, Anne (nee Sackin), and three children: Henry, Carol Epstein and Frances Goldman. He is survived by brothers Morris, Isadore and William and sisters Elsie Piska, Vera Rasminsky and Malca Marin.

Travel tax is unfair to olim, PNAI says

MONTREAL —

The $300 travel tax levied on Israeli citizens leaving the country is unfair to olim, says the Montreal Chapter of Parents of North American Israelis (PNAI).

Alec Dinovitzer, the new co-president of the Chapter, said the group is pressing Israeli officials to drop the tax for immigrants to Israel from North America.

"The tax discourages contact with their families here. For a family the tax really adds up, and that's on top of airfare and other travel expenses," said Dinovitzer, who heads up the chapter with Mark Kaufman.

At the least, Dinovitzer said the tax should be reduced for olim, whom the Israeli government must expect will visit their families abroad from time to time.

The tax was introduced several years ago and applies to all citizens travelling abroad.

PNAI is an approximately 10-year-old organizations with chapters throughout North America. Its members have children who live permanently in Israel.

Dinovitzer and his wife Helen have two daughters living in Jerusalem: Joy, a nurse, and Bonnie, a special education teacher. Both married in Israel and now have citizenship there.

Before becoming citizens, they visited Montreal about once a year, but the tax they and their spouses must pay now is making that prohibitive, said the Dinovitzers.

PNAI has about 60 members now in Montreal. Dinovitzer wants to increase membership, which would strengthen the voice of the parents in their lobbying. "There must be literally hundreds more parents of Israelis living in Montreal."

Another issue on the Chapter's agenda right now includes seeking a greater baggage weight allowance from El Al Israel Airlines. Dinovitzer said parents of Israelis customarily bring in extra luggage filled with items, hard to obtain in Israel, for their children.

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Organizations and People

Reflections on baalei teshuvah for Shavuoth:

Children should also have naches from their parents

By
RABBI
SELIG KOROLNEK

It is encouraging to note a significant return to Torah purism in the rise in number of quality of our baalei teshuvah. These repentants are drawn largely from our young intellectuals who are desperately searching for values in a society they see as valueless.

Their quest has led them back to the Torah, the giving of which we celebrate on this festival of Shavuoth.

The questions arise as to how shall we (including those of us who are "frum from birth") react to the baalei teshuvah? Why has this trend developed so rapidly particularly at this time? And what can we do to maintain and increase the number of baalei teshuvah?

In the Torah reading at Shavuoth, we read the biblical portion that includes the Aseret Hadibrot — The Ten Commandments. From a theological point of view, the second commandment creates the most difficulty.

The text discusses the problem of reward and punishment, and thus speaks of G-d in the following terms: "G-d visits the iniquity of the father upon the children unto the third and fourth generations of those who hate me."

The obvious question of how a G-d of justice can punish children for the sins of their parents, concerned Onkelos, the Aramaic translator of the Bible, the rabbis of the Talmud, and the biblical commentator Rashi. Their answer is that punishment is visited upon these children only: "When they follow in the evil footsteps of their parents."

But what about those children who do not follow in the footsteps of their parents to do wrong? What about those children who reject the lifestyle of their parents and opt for the Torah way of life?

G-d's reaction to him is found in the following verse, "And showing lovingkindness unto the thousandth generation of them that love me and keep my Commandments." This passage refers to a baal teshuvah.

The righteous are certainly rewarded for their good deeds. But the baal teshuvah is given more. He or she is the recipient of G-d's chesed, of his lovingkindness — an attitude reflected especially to those who have brought personal sacrifices upon the altar of their faith.

The irony is that many young men and women leave their parents' homes in order to observe kashruth and Shabbat. And one wonders why should it be so? Are these parents disinterested in the well being of their children? If anything, the opposite is true. These are parents who have sacrificed their lives for their children. Why then should they now be forced to leave their parents' home in order to observe Judaism?

The answer, it seems to me, is that while these parents have dedicated their lives to giving their children the things they themselves did not have, they have failed to give the children the very important values they did receive.

These parents were so concerned with giving the children the material things in life, they forgot or refused to transmit to their offspring the spiritual values they had received from their parents.

The fifth commandment — "honor thy father and thy mother" — has meaning only in a world where the other commandments are observed. Parents are honored only in a society where G-d is worshipped and revered.

If a parent wants to be honored by his child, if a parent seeks to be worthy of the respect of his offspring, then he or she must observe all the commandments of the Torah. It is high time that Jewish children should be able to have naches from their parents.

As we recite on the second day of Shavuoth the Yizkor service, and are reminded of the souls of our beloved parents of sacred memory, we recall with sentimental tears how they, G-d fearing and Torah observing Jews, prayed to the Almighty that they should have naches from their children.

Little did they realize that in many cases their children would have the opposite problem — that of being parents whose children would have Jewish naches from them.

New Associated school library dedicated to popular teenager

TORONTO —

New library furnishings were dedicated recently at Associated Hebrew Schools' Finch Ave. West branch in a moving ceremony in memory of teenager Phillip Wintrob.

The furnishings constituted "a living memorial to Phillip that all children could come and enjoy," said one ceremony participant, who remarked on the boy's popularity.

Wintrob, 18 at the time, was killed two years ago when the car he was a rear seat passenger in ran off the road in the Rochester, NY, area. The well-liked teenager was a youth leader at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation.

"I was hoping to speak at his wedding by this time," said sister Suzanne Wintrob Winkler at the dedication, in a voice choked with emotion.

Parents Ralph and Kitty funded and arranged the furnishings. The occasion was Wintrob's second yahrzeit.

Participants at the dedication included: York University Prof. Rabbi Michael Brown, chairman of Associated's vaad hachinuch, education committee; Rabbi Pinchas Brumer, principal of Hebrew studies for Associated's junior high school grades; York Prof. Sydney Eisen, former vaad chairman; Les Scheininger, Associated president; and Terri Weintraub, outgoing president of Associated's parents association.

Ralph Wintrob, librarian-administrator for the North York Board of Education, has been helping Associated, among other schools, update its library facilities.

Phillip was a graduate of Associated.

Ont. CJC examines results of survey

TORONTO —

The results of a comprehensive survey gauging the needs and concerns of Jews outside Ontario's major centres are now being collated and analyzed by Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

The 7-page questionnaire was sent out to Jewish families in over 30 communities across Ontario last winter. Questions touched on Jewish education, participation in Jewish life, availability of services, the kind of Jewish programming most wanted, concerns over anti-semitism and intermarriage, Israel-related programming and general attitudes to Jewish priorities in small communities.

The questionnaire was written and distributed by a "Focus Group," a subcommittee of the Community Services Committee of CJC, Ontario Region.

The group was set up over 18 months ago in order to plan a course of action that would revitalize Jewish communities in Ontario.

The group hopes to identify problems and counter inertia in all non-Federation communities, meaning all cities and towns excluding Toronto, Ottawa, London, Hamilton and Windsor.

The survey was mailed to larger centres, such as St. Catharines, which has 250 Jewish families, down to the smallest, like Stratford, with 12 families. and to Kirkland Lake, where the Jewish population is measured by individuals.

The group, founded by Guelph businessman Paul Klein, is seeking to determine what Jews in these areas want and need in order to lead fuller, more Jewish lives.

Jews in small centres could benefit from services and programming to enhance their Jewish identity, notes CJC community services committee director Susan Jackson.

Once all the data are in, Congress will employ professional marketing techniques to implement the recommendations and, it's hoped, will stimulate the communities to become as self-sufficient as possible in terms of maintaining Yiddishkeit.

One of the main points of the survey is to reach out to young people in small centres and trigger their involvement, Jackson adds.

A computer program written by 18-year-old Lazar Klein of Guelph is collating the responses and final analyses are expected in the coming weeks.

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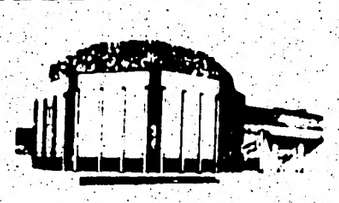

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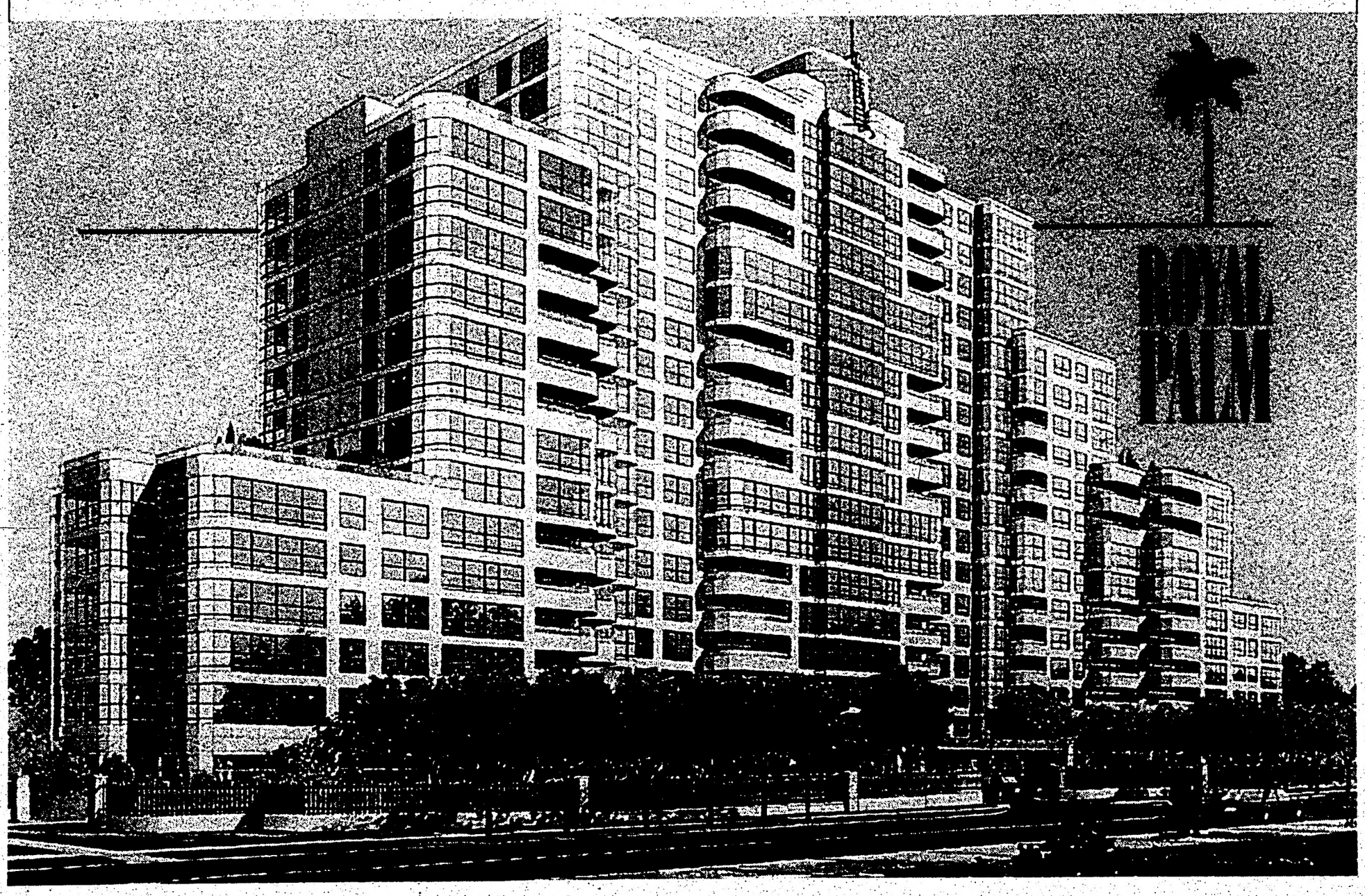

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DEADLINE NOTES

Just a reminder that the regular deadline for the What's New and About People columns is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, June 8, is the deadline for the June 22 issue). I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail.

However, the deadline is sometimes changed when there is a holiday coming up. I will let you know in good time.

Thursday, June 8

ALL-NIGHT TORAH LEARNING

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St., will observe the holiday of Shavuoth with the traditional all-night Torah Learning seminars on Thursday, June 8, starting at midnight.

The lecturers will be **Rabbi Menchem Fink**, former chief rabbi of Holland; **Rabbi Norman Berlat**, chaplain of Baycrest Hospital and Jewish Home for the Aged, and **Rabbi Moshe Stern** of Shaarei Tefillah.

Refreshments will be served throughout the night. Shavuoth morning services will be held at 5 a.m. Men and women are cordially invited.

Saturday, June 10

ENVIRONMENTAL SHABBAT PROGRAM

Kehillat Ahavat Chesed, an egalitarian community, invites everyone to an Environmental Shabbat program on Saturday, June 10, at 9.30 a.m. sharp, at 788 Marlee Ave.

Join in this special Shavuoth program — davening followed by kiddish and study session on Judaism and the Environment led by **Rabbi Sam Weintraub, Miriam Wyman,** environmental consultant, and **Ben Carniol,** professor of social work.

For more information, call 925-2737.

Sunday, June 11

TEA PARTY IN AID OF ISRAEL

Congregation Habonim and the United Jewish Appeal are holding a tea party in aid of Israel on Sunday, June 11, at 2.30 p.m. at Congregation Habonim, 5 Glen Park Ave. (Bathurst and Glencairn).

The entertainment, Kol Nashim in Concert, features six female cantors, **Esther Ghan-Firestone, Elizabeth Bolton, Linda Segal, Elisabeth Manson, Ruth Slater** and **Phyllis Angel Greenberg**, accompanied by **Amy Gilbert**, in a program of liturgical music, and Hebrew and Jewish folk songs. In addition there will be refreshments, raffle and door prize.

Admission is $10.

BLOOR Y BARBECUE

A roof-top barbecue for Bloor Y members that includes games, relays, swimming and a miniature water park for kids is scheduled for Sunday, June 11, from noon to 3 p.m.

Admission is free with a pay-as-you-eat barbecue. For further information, call **Lindsay Henderson** at 924-6211.

Monday, June 12

ADULT STUDY SIYUM

At the Adath Israel Congregation adult study closing program-siyum on Monday, June 12, **Ian Kagedan**, incoming director of government relations of B'nai B'rith, will speak on Reflections on the State of Canadian Jewry. This will be followed by **Doron Ofir** with a unique Israeli musical program.

The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. There is no admission charge and refreshments will be served.

ON WINGS OF SONG

On Monday, June 12, as part of International Choral Festival, 1989, directed by **Nicholas Goldschmidt,** Holy Blossom Temple Singers and **Cantor Benjamin Maissner** are performing in a presentation of a musical history, Al Kanfei Shira (On Wings of Song).

The time is 8 p.m. at St. Paul's Centre at Trinity, 427 Bloor St. W.

FIT FOR LIFE HEALTH AUCTION4

The annual Fit For Life Health Auction takes place Monday, June 12, at 155 College St., starting at 7 p.m. This is your chance to bid on more than 150 items such as massage therapy sessions, weekend retreats at health spas and exercise classes.

Vegetarian meals will be served between 6 and 7 p.m.

For more information, call the Canadian Natural Hygiene Society at 781-0359.

MONDAY MAGIC

Rightful versus Wrongful Dismissal is the topic of the Monday, June 12, meeting of Monday MAGIC with guest speaker **Norman Grosman**, lawyer specializing in employment law.

The meeting takes place from 9.30-11.30 a.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Monday MAGIC is a women's group that gets together Monday mornings at Beth Tzedec. Babysitting is available for newborns and up.

Tuesday, June 13

TEHILA IN CONCERT

Join the University Hebrew Choir, directed by **Michelle Green** and accompanied by **Steven Benlolo**, for a delightful evening of contemporary Jewish music.

The event, sponsored by the Jewish Students Union/Hillel, Jewish Student Federation and Beth Tikvah Synagogue, is taking place Tuesday, June 13, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah, 3080 Bayview Ave.

Tickets at $8 adult, $6 seniors and students, are available at JSU (923-9861), JSF (736-5178), Israel's Book Store (881-1010 or 789-2169), and Beth Tikvah (221-3433).

For additional information, call **Aviva Guttman** at 764-8392.

HOSPITAL EXCAVATION

Dr. David Grotell admires the mounted stone from the foundation of Shaare Zedek Medical Centre in Jerusalem which he recently accepted on behalf of his mother, Shirley Grotell. Mrs. Grotell, president of Workman's Circle Social Club, has been designated as a "founder" of the hospital in gratitude of her extreme generosity. Looking on is presenter Rabbi David Monson and Sheila Dropkin, national executive director of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation.

FAMILY-IN-ISRAEL DINNER

Emunah Women of Toronto will be holding its annual Family-in-Israel dinner at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue on Tuesday, June 13, chaired by **Dorothy Zeifman**.

The guest speaker will be **Les Scheininger**, national president, Canadian Jewish Congress. During the course of the evening, Emunah Women will honor members of a senior chapter, Minnie Etlin.

During their trip to Israel, some members visited Emunah's day care centres located in some of the poorest areas of Tel Aviv. They saw first hand the outdated stoves and fridges that needed immediate replacement and the empty yard where basic play equipment was missing. They returned home with a renewed commitment to double their efforts on behalf of the childen of Israel.

To continue in this tradition, Emunah's Family-in-Israel campaign needs the community's support.

For reservations, contact the Emunah office at 635-9847.

MEDICAL ETHICS

Tzafon Chapter, Na'amat Canada, invites young Jewish women in the Richmond Hill area to attend the last meeting before the summer break on Tuesday, June 13, at 8 p.m. The speaker, **Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg**, will discuss Medical Ethics.

For more information, call 636-5425 or 737-1492.

ATIDEYNU LODGE BB

Atideynu Lodge B'nai B'rith is holding a general meeting and movie night on Tuesday, June 13, at 7.30 p.m. at 15 Hove St.

For further information, contact **Debbie** at 785-5982.

Also, hold Wednesday, June 21, open for a visit to Yuk-Yuk's at Yonge and Eglinton. Meet in front at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14

SINAI MUSICAL LEGACY AWARD

The 6th presentation of the Sinai Musical Legacy Award will take place at a special spring recital-concert to be presented by the winner on Wednesday, June 14, at 8 p.m. at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave. The recipient of the award will be a young Jewish artist at the threshold of his or her career.

This concert, which is now an annual event, will include music by Jewish composers. It is part of the temple's Our Musical Legacy series.

BASICS SEMINAR SERIES

Aish HaTorah's Basics seminar series of individual lectures exploring the wit and wisdom of Judaism continues on Wednesday, June 14, with What is Torah — Instructions for Living.

The lecture begins at 8 p.m. at Aish HaTorah, 296A Wilson Ave. For information, phone 636-7530.

Thursday, June 15

LUPUS SUPPORT GROUP

The Ontario Lupus Association Coping/Support Group, Mississauga area, meetings are held on the third Thursday of very month at 7.30 p.m. at Mississauga General Hospital, 100 Queensway W., Conference Room AB. The next meeting is scheduled for June 15.

For information, call 967-1414.

And What Else Is New...

SHAVUOTH CELEBRATIONS

Join Ohr Somayach/JEP-Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Learning for seminars, discussions and traditional meals with host families in celebration of Shavuoth.

Entitled Close Encounters of the Authentic Kind or What Really Happened at Mount Sinai?, the events will run from Thursday evening, June 8, to Saturday evening, June 10. Special guest will be **Rabbi Yitzchok Adlerstein** of Yeshiva University, Los Angeles.

Call now to reserve. The number is 785-5899.

ASSISTANCE TO THOSE WITH AIDS

The Holy Blossom Temple AIDS Committee wishes to provide caring assistance to people with AIDS, their families and friends.

The following assistance is available — spiritual counselling, celebration of Shabbat and festivals, bereavement counselling, counselling for families and friends, facilitating referrals to community agencies, legal referral, volunteer drivers and visitors, information and support.

All queries should be directed to **Sandy Wise**, coordinator of the temple's department of Jewish living, at 789-3291.

NETIVOT HATORAH ANNUAL DINNER

Netivot Hatorah Day School's annual dinner to inaugurate the establishment of the Teacher Professional Development Fund is set for Tuesday, June 20, when the guest speaker will be **Rabbi Avishai David**, rosh yeshiva, Bnei Aki-

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va Schools-Yeshivat Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot.

It takes place at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. Cocktails and dinner begin at 6.30 p.m.

Couvert is $100. For information and reservations, call 636-4050.

SPEAK, READ, WRITE HEBREW!

The Keren Hatarbut Institute of Hebrew Studies, located at 788 Marlee Ave., announces that registration is now open for summer courses in conversational Hebrew for beginners, intermediate and advanced (for adults and teenagers).

The course will run July 4-Aug. 22. Classes are conducted under the guidance of skilled Israeli teachers. The Institute promises that beginners will read, write and speak Hebrew by Aug. 22.

For consultation and registration, call **Joseph Klinger** at 787-0197.

A 2-DAY AUCTION

A 2-day charity auction featuring a $5 million inventory will take place Sunday, June 11, and Monday, June 12, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W.

Auction items include collectibles, jewelry, furs, and art as well as special features such as a Maserati Indy 4.9 car, a sable coat, and a 35 ct. marquis diamond.

Viewing time is 9-11 a.m. with the auction from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. both days.

Proceeds of the auction are for youth education at the Shmuel Zahavy Cheder Chabad in Thornhill.

For more information, call the Auction Line at 636-1234.

BOOK REVIEW

Temple Sinai Sisterhood is presenting a book review by well-known literary and film reviewer **Heather Kassel** on Tuesday, June 20. The book to be reviewed is Imagining Argentina by **Lawrence Thornton**.

The time is 1 p.m. in the Fanny Green Hall of the temple, 210 Wilson Ave. The fee is $4 and refreshments will be served.

Everyone is welcome. For information, call the temple office at 487-4161.

A COURSE ON KABBALAH

The Research Centre of Kabbalah, directed by **Rabbi Philip Berg**, offers a 12-week course on Kabbalah beginning Wednesday, June 28, at 7.30 p.m. at 18 Reiner Rd. (Bathurst south of Sheppard).

Prior to that will be two free introductory lectures, Wednesday, June 14, and a repeat on Wednesday, June 21, also at 7.30 p.m.

For information, call 785-9095.

FAMILY REUNION

New Yorker David Marrus makes a presentation to Torontonian Adam Marrus, the youngest guest at a family reunion held at the King Edward Hotel recently. Adam is the son of Prof. Michael Marrus and grandson of Elliot Marrus whose 75th birthday was celebrated with a surprise birthday cake. The Marrus Family Circle had been meeting in New York for more than half a century. This was the first gathering in Toronto, home to the families of the 13 sons and daughters of the late Elias and Anna Marrus. Louis settled here around 1917 and his sister Bertha (Birdie) married Toronto lawyer, the late Abraham Singer. The party, hosted by David Marrus, brought to Canada cousins from 18 American communities in seven states.

ANNUAL BARBECUE

Chaverim Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women invites you to join in the annual barbecue on Wednesday, June 21, for an evening of good food, lots of fun, and an opportunity to meet new friends.

For more information, call 881-8022 before 9 p.m. RSVP by June 14.

VIEWMOUNT CO-OP

Viewmount Co-op is now accepting registration for September 89. This parent-run co-op is geared to children 18-months to 2½ years of age. It runs two mornings a week.

For more information, call 658-0877 or 781-0169.

NE'IMOT CHOIR

Ne'imot Choir focuses on a program of Jewish and Israeli music. Presently comprised of 16 people, the group is looking to enlarge its membership. Choir singing or musical instrumental experience is required.

If you are interested, call 636-8000, ext. 330 days, or 886-3906 evenings.

JEWISH NEWCOMERS

Do you know a Jewish newcomer to Toronto? Jewish Women's Federation will visit newcomers with a welcome basket and information about the Jewish community.

For more information, contact **Debbie Estrin** at 635-2883.

U OF T GUIDED WALKING TOURS

The University of Toronto invites you to enjoy free, guided walking tours of its historic downtown campus. The entertaining and informative 1-hour tours will introduce you to Canada's largest university.

The tours run Monday to Friday, 10.30 a.m., 12.30 and 2.30 p.m. until Aug. 31. Tours meet in the map room of Hart House, just west of Queen's Park Cres. W.

Tours are offered in English, French, German, Russian and Spanish. Groups of over 20 are asked to book ahead. For information or to make a booking, call 978-5000.

HEADLINES BAYCREST EVENT

Award-winning composer and entertainer **Marvin Hamlisch** will be featured at the Women's Auxiliary of Baycrest Centre's annual gala event taking place in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Centre on Tuesday, June 27.

Marvin Hamlisch

Hamlisch, the winner of a Pulitzer Prize, Tony, Grammy, Golden Globe and Academy awards (he created the music for Broadway hits A Chorus Line and They're Playing Our Song and has written 30 motion picture scores), will present A Broadway Spectacular.

Funds raised from this entertainment evening will support research and special care programs for sufferers of Alzheimer's disease and related illnesses at Baycrest. Among these is the Samuel Lunenfeld Special Day Care Centre and research programs of Baycrest Hospital's Behavioral Neurology Unit.

Tickets are $325 each with a partial tax deductible receipt. For tickets and further information, call 789-7071, ext. 2009.

JEP SUMMER SERIES

The Ohr Somayach/JEP summer series, Thursday Evenings at 8.30 in Thornhill, adds a new dimension to your Jewish identity with a different thought-provoking topic every week, Join in any or all of these seminars. Admission is free and refreshments are served.

The series begins on June 15 with Finding Balance and Moderation in a Religious Lifestyle and continues on June 22 with Ethological Insights; June 29, Israel and the Nations: Chosen For What?; July 6, Jewish Answers to the Claim of Christianity; July 13, Davidic Dynasty; July 24, Mourning for the Temple: Is It Still Relevant Today?

All classes are held at 8.30 p.m. at the Ohr Somayach/JEP northern branch, 613 Clark Ave., Thornhill. For further information, call 785-5899.

NARAYEVER CONGREGATION

Narayever Congregation, 187 Brunswick Ave. (north of Harbord), invites the downtown Jewish community to morning services for Shavuoth on Friday, June 9, beginning at 9.30 a.m. Join a warm and welcoming congregation in a beautiful old shul to celebrate the giving of the Torah.

All Narayever services are traditional and egalitarian with full participation of women and men. Everyone is welcome.

Also, all families with children are invited to Junior Congregation on Saturday, June 10. This is an opportunity for children to experience the beauty of prayer in an uninhibited setting and learn to lead the prayer service themselves. Junior Congregation begins about 10.30 a.m. after the Torah reading and concludes with the children joining the adult service to lead the singing of Adon Olam.

After services, come to a festive Shavuoth lunch hosted by the congregation. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

BEIN AT BETH EMETH

Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, Johanan Bein (2nd from left) was speaker at a recent breakfast meeting sponsored by the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem, held at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue. With him (from left) are Beth Emeth incoming president Marvin Fox, guest Larry Levy, and Canadian Society for Yad Vashem executive director Lou Van Delman. Over 30 businessmen attended the breakfast and several pledges were made to purchase Yad Vashem Torch Bearer menorahs. For details, call 665-0110.

VOLUNTEERS/VOLUNTEENS

Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care volunteers/volunteens are needed. Adult volunteers and Volunteens (13-17 years of age) are needed for exciting programs such as outings, barbecues, ice cream parlor, arts and crafts.

If you are available Monday-Friday and would like to volunteer your time, then call the North York Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

MINI-CONCERTS FOR KIDS

Helena and Her Magical Basket will be on hand at the children's book store, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe in Yorkdale Shopping Plaza on June 10. You'll be able to catch her mini-concerts for kids from 1.30-2.30 p.m.

GRAND PRIZE WINNER

Nir-Galim Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO reports that the lucky grand prize winner of the chapter's recent draw for two business class round-trip tickets to Zurich, Switzerland, is **Dr. Edward Reiter**.

THE NEXT STEP

The student-written and directed musical, The Next Step, goes on stage at Yorkwoods Library Theatre, 1785 Finch Ave W. (at Keele) on June 8 and 9. Showtime is 7.30 p.m.

Admission is $6. For tickets, call 445-3119.

THE ROM CHALLENGE

On two consecutive weekends this June, thousands of Torontonians, on bicycles and on foot, will take part in the ROM Challenge, an annual fund raising event organized by the Royal Ontario Museum.

The ROM Challenge consists of two new cycling events, the Tour of Toronto, a recreational ride for the public and the ROM Classic, a relay for 4-person corporate teams on Sunday, June 11, and the ever-popular 8th annual Run for the ROM, June 16 and 17.

For more information or to register, call 586-5665 for the Tour of Toronto or the ROM Classic, and 586-5831 for Run for the ROM.

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A program for single parents and children at Green Acres Day Camp offering picnic and organized games in a country setting is set for Sunday, June 25. This program is arranged by the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y and North-East Valley branches. For information, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

Registration for summer camp at the Bloor Y is still open. To register children between the ages of 5 and 10, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

The Iranian-Jewish Federation invites you to a Persian gala on Saturday, June 11, at 8 p.m., at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Enjoy this Shavuoth program featuring Persian food. The charge is $20. For reservations and information, call **Michael Silverman** at 889-0813 or **Mrs. Senelu** at 731-7350.

The original JCC Singles 50 Plus will be hosting a barbecue dinner and dance (deejay **Dom Del Greco**) for singles and couples who have been or currently are involved with this group. The date is Saturday, June 17, at 7.30 p.m. at the North-East Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St. The cost is $14 per person. RSVP by June 9 by calling **Mimi** or **Risa** at 889-0813.

The JCC Valley Singles Network invites you to swim and dance at a beach party on Sunday, June 18, at 8.30 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is $7 and includes deejay, cash bar and refreshments. For information, contact **Luni** at 889-0813.

The JCC Valley arts and sports camp for children ages 5-13 has openings for the second session which begins July 31. Call **Luni** at 889-0813 for information and registration.

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for seniors

The 7th annual **North York Senior Games** are open to all seniors aged 55 and over, residing in North York or who are associated with an organization in North York. The schedule offers everything from golf, tennis, swimming and walking to bridge, bowling, shuffleboard and badminton. It all culminates in an Award Evening on Thursday, June 29. (more about that later). You may be interested in these particular events — Shuffleboard at Earl Bales Community Centre on Thursday, June 8, at 9.30 a.m. (contact **Lorne Young**, 635-6598); badminton at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St., on Thursday, June 8, at 10.30 a.m. (contact **Gerald Berley**, 449-6065); walking at the Wagman Centre on Sunday, June 11, 9 a.m. (contact **Len Dworken**, 635-5837 or **David Feldman**, 787-5434).

Beth Sholom Seniors will be meeting on Wednesday, June 14, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. for entertainment provided by the Hawaiian dancers. Refreshments will be served. The charge is $1.50 members, $2 non-members. For information, call **Eve Donsky**, vice-president and publicity chairman, at 782-1068.

The JCC Valley seniors group, **Club Chaverim**, meets every Monday from noon to 4 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Come play cards, bingo and socialize. Make new friends and meet old ones. For information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

The LZA Seniors Club held its annual Father's Day luncheon on Wednesday, June 7, at 11.30 a.m. at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., with special entertainment in honor of all the tates and zaydes...The Muskoka trip is all sold out, but stand-by reservations are being taken...Final payment for the July 18-25 trip to the Pines Hotel in the Catskills was due on June 7 at the Father's day luncheon...The Cultural Club meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. where there are interesting speakers and open discussion. At the last session, **Israel Appel** and **Shlomo Mitzmacher** reported on their recent trip to Israel...Facilities are now being set up to serve hot lunches daily to all members who come in daily to enjoy cards, chess, bingo and shuffleboard with special shuffleboard every Tuesday and Thursday evening and also special events like movies and bingo. For details, call the club office at the Borochov Centre at 630-9444.

JCC Bloor Y Seniors activities this week include — Monday, June 12, knitting at 10 a.m. and bridge at 1.30 p.m.; Tuesday, June 13, fitness at 12.30 p.m., current events discussion at 2 p.m.; Wednesday, June 14, musical singalong at 1.30 p.m. Rooms will be changed due to Caravan...All programs will resume July 4. The Bloor Y is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). For information, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave. — On Monday, June 12, at 1 p.m. **Yehuda Shen** from the Israeli ministry of tourism will give an interesting lecture on the new view of Israel...The plans for the Israeli trip have been finalized and the tour has been extended to 22 days from Nov. 6-Nov. 27 with additional regular touring. This includes staying at the Ein Gedi spa and in also relaxing at the hot springs in Tiberias...Volunteer Recognition night is set for Monday, June 26, with entertainment by a musical group, the Canadian Guitar Association, plus refreshments. The charge is $1.50 for members, no charge for volunteers. An added attraction will be an art exhibit of oil paintings by the club's own students...Ongoing programs will continue through the summer. For information about all activities, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club's next dance with a live band is set for Sunday, June 11, from 8-11 p.m. in Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). Admission is $3 members, $4 non-members...Mark Thursday, June 29, at 7.30 p.m. on your calendar. That's the date of the Bagels on Broadway concert featuring **Bert Levy** and starring **George Frank** accompanied by **Sharon Frank**. Be sure to book early for this show...Ongoing activities in the community centre are shuffleboard Monday and Wednesday mornings and tai chi Mondays from 10-11 a.m. And in the club house there is bridge on Mondays, 1-3.30 p.m.; ballroom and line dancing on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; art class on Tuesdays, 1-3.30 p.m.; fitness on Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m.; dances on Saturday evenings, 7-10.30. The games room is now open for ping pong and other activities. For further information, call 636-7856.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma, for Israelis and Hebrew speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7.30-9.30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, contact **Avraham Leibovich** at 633-2630.

Join the **Young at Heart Seniors** for a 10-day holiday at the Pines Hotel in the Catskills, July 28-Aug. 6. Included are three kosher meals daily, top entertainment nightly, swimming, two weekends, Atlantic City, flea market, Corning factory, bus fare, refreshments on bus, stop over, prizes, medical and cancellation insurance, all for $825 Canadian. For information, call **Helen** at 635-6343, 8-9.30 a.m. and 10-11.30 p.m. or 462-0258, 10.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

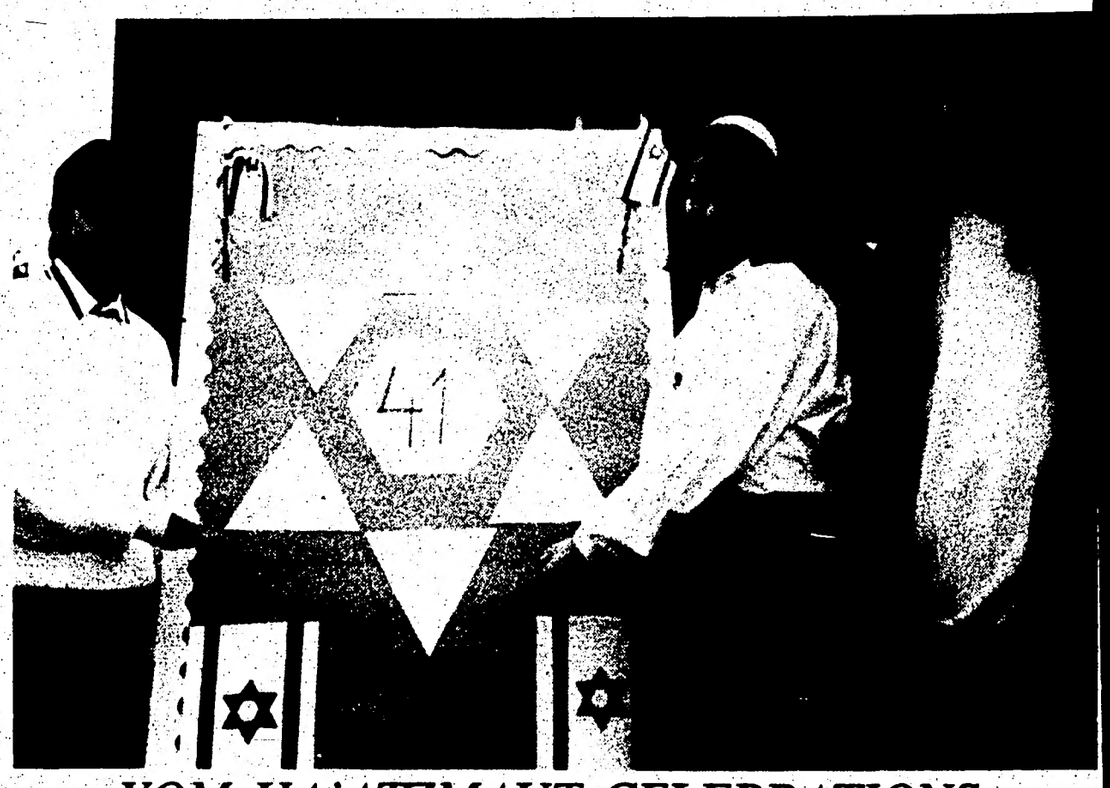
You don't have to be a member to get in on the **Sunshine Seniors 55 Plus** day away at Stage West Dinner Theatre with the 60-foot buffet and live musical show (Oliver) on Wednesday, June 28, beginning at 10.30 a.m. The cost of $35 includes transportation, buffet and show. For more information and reservations, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., the Jewish Ethics and Philosophy rabbi's lecture series continues on Tuesday, June 13, with **Rabbi Henry Hoschander** of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, speaking on Israel Revisited. The time is 2.30-3.30 p.m. in Rooms A and B.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

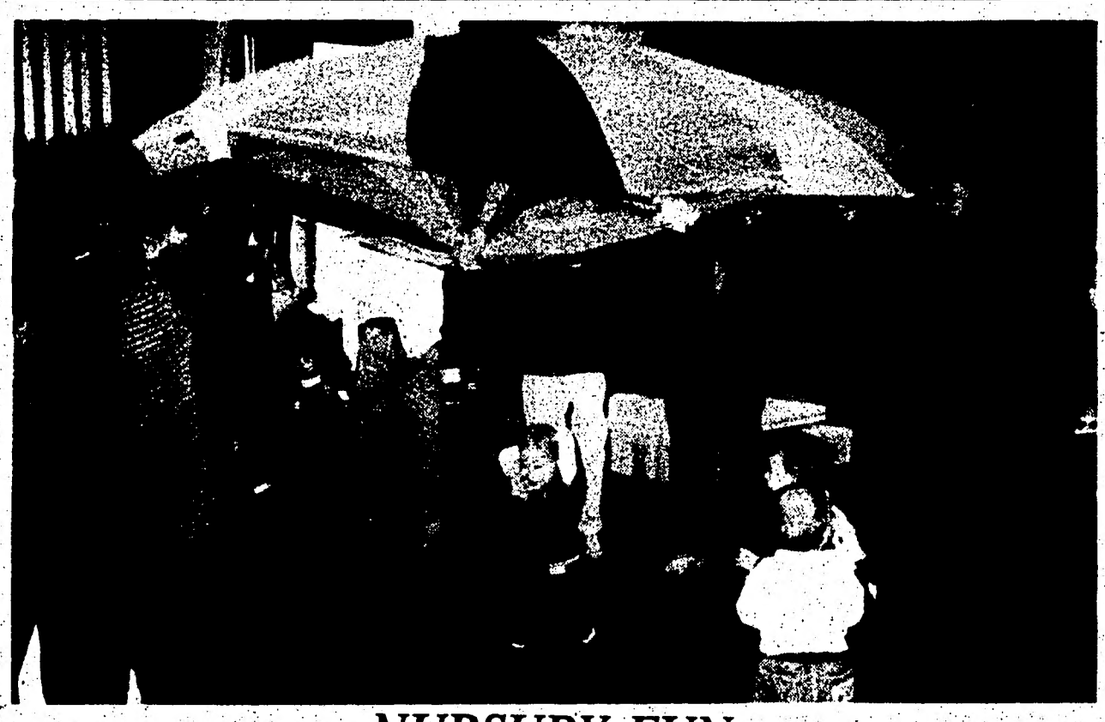
The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

On Thursday, June 15, La'Briyut Wellness Centre health lecture series is presenting Color You Healthy. Looking good is feeling good. Find the colors which make you glow. Learn how to apply appropriate products for healthy glowing skin. A lucky senior will win the chance to have his or her face done that day. The lecture takes place at 1.30 p.m. Admission is free and all seniors are welcome.



YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATIONS

United Synagogue Day School-Bayview campus students (from left) Matias Margulis, Julie Stevens and Dara Maker participating in the school's Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations.



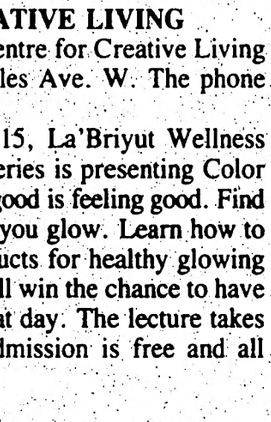
NURSURY FUN

Ira Banks agrees that parachute play is one of the many fun activities offered at the Beth Sholom Playtime Nursery. Applications for the 1989-90 season now are available at the synagogue office.

About People

JEWISH EDUCATION APPOINTMENT

Robert Tornberg, director of education at Holy Blossom Temple, has been named co-chairman of the Commission on Jewish Education of Reform Judaism. The first "non-rabbinic" educator to be appointed to this post, he was installed as co-chairman designate of the commission at its recent annual meeting.



Robert Tornberg

The commission represents the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, General Conference of American Rabbis and National Association of Temple Educators in setting policy for the educational programs of Reform Judaism.

CANTOR BAGLEY ON TOUR

Cantor David Bagley has been presenting concerts overseas for the past three years and this past November was invited to perform in the Soviet Union.

He was recently asked to return to the USSR to give nine concerts in Moscow, Kiev, Leningrad and Odessa. His repertoire includes liturgical and Hebrew music.

From there, the cantor will go to Budapest to appear in four concerts and then on to Tel Aviv to participate in a presentation at Mann Auditorium.

Cantor Bagley leaves June 19 and will be returning to Toronto July 12.

A MATH WHIZ

By finishing in first place (in Toronto) in a grade 11 math contest, Northern Secondary School student **J. P. Grossman** (J.P. stands for Jeffrey Paul but he has always been known as J.P.) helped his school reach its best-ever Junior Mathematics Contest results. His 3-member team topped the 28 Toronto teams and placed 11th in all of Canada. J.P. himself (he is in grade 10 but wrote the grade 11 contest) stood 5th in Canada from among 15,605 competitors. The cross-country competition is sponsored by the University of Waterloo.

J. P. Grossman

Approximately 200 of the top scorers were then invited to write the Canadian Invitational Mathematics Challenge. Of these, 60 were chosen to attend a week-long mathematics contests seminar at the university June 11-17. J.P. placed in the top six of these students.

J.P., the son of **Dr. Larry** and **Sharon Grossman** and the grandson of **Murray** and **Besse Grossman** and **Sol Zuker,** is an all-round 16-year-old with lots of other interests such as chess, debating, computer programming, skiing and music (piano and tenor sax).

SHAAREI TEFILLAH ELECTIONS

Shaarei Tefillah Brotherhood's new executive for 1989-90 is headed by **Charles Laiman**, president, with **Jerry Popoff**, 1st vice-president; **Harry Borenstein**, 2nd vice-president; **Lew Millstone**, treasurer, and **Ernest Goldsmith**, secretary.

The Sisterhood officers for 1989-90 include **Mickey Alkin**, president; **Rita Eisen**, vice-president; **Goldie Bellack**, treasurer, and **Olga Wolfe**, secretary.

JOINT EXHIBITION

Denison Gallery is featuring Toronto sculptor **Leon Bookman** and French Canadian painter **Pierre Turgeon** in a joint exhibition June 9-24.

Leon Bookman's sculptures range from purely abstract to representational, from powerful to whimsical, reflecting a highly individualized style. His work has been featured in galleries, institutions and independent shows in Canada and the U.S. and is widely represented in private collections.

Pierre Turgeon, best known for his figurative interpretations of life in Quebec, has works in many corporate collections. This show, his first in Toronto, is the culmination of two years of preparation.

Denison Gallery is located at 7455 Victoria Park Ave. in Markham. For information, call 477-2552.

BETH EMETH BROTHERHOOD

Among those being installed at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue installation dinner dance this Wednesday, June 14, will be Brotherhood president **Leonard Wiseberg**.

BAYCREST DEDICATION

The 6th floor of Baycrest Hospital was recently dedicated in the name of Henry and Toby Battle after a generous donation made in honor of their two children, Sara and Miriam. Seen chatting with Toby Battle (left) at the dedication is Morris Reinstein, a resident in Baycrest's Jewish Home for the Aged.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of the Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Shayla at 422-2528.*

Single Parent and Child Picnic at Green Acres Day Camp. Waterslide, Hayride, petting farm. Sunday, June 18, 1-5p.m. $10 family, $5 adult, $3 child. 924-6211, 889-0813.

Adath Israel Congregation Singles Oneg Shabbat presenting: "Singles and Our Aging Parents" by an expert in the field. Refreshments following. Friday, June 16, 8p.m. 37 Southbourne Ave. (Bathurst/ Wilson).

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Metro Toronto Singles Presents Summer Romance Dance at **The Magic Ballroom,** Sunday, June 11, 8p.m., 3125 Bayview Ave, (south of Finch, east side of Bayview, north of Beth Tikvah synagogue.) Door prize: Dinner for two at **HI's Restaurant**, $8. **222-7111**.

Organizations and People

JF & CS aid tops 12,000

TORONTO —

Jewish Family & Child Service of Metropolitan Toronto touched the lives of over 12,000 in 1988, according to the agency's annual report.

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- Provided emergency after hours assistance to 500 individuals or families.
- Served 32 youngsters in the Diamond Outreach Project day treatment program and 100 children and teenagers in the residence.
- Provided group therapy for over 100 clients.
- Served 19 elderly persons and their families in the Elm Ridge Group Residence.
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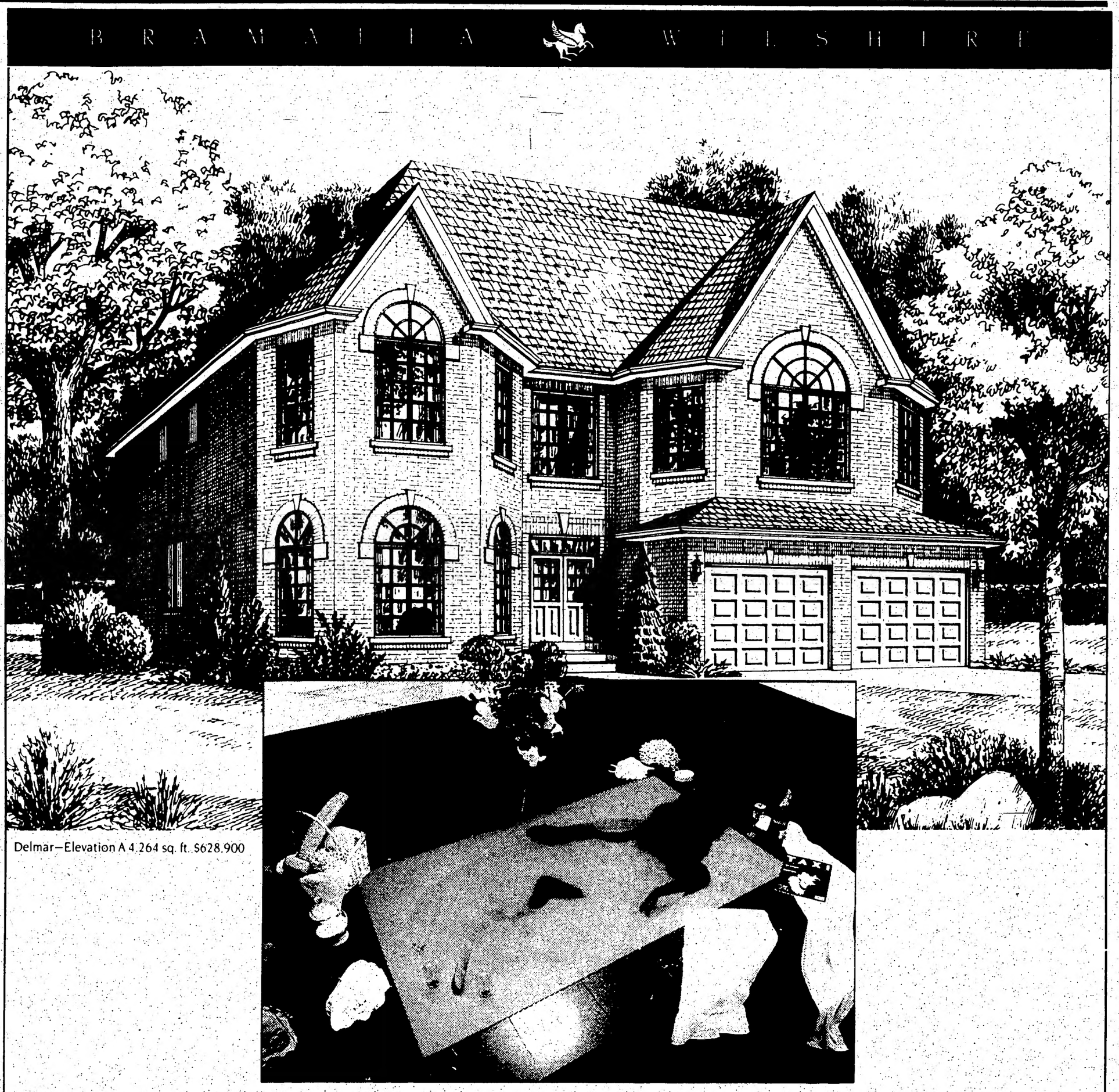

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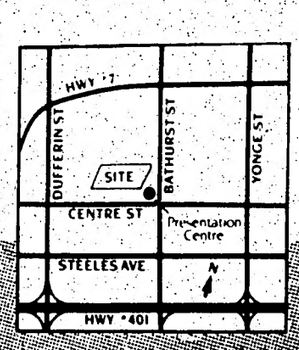

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Organizations and People

To help bolster religious identity

CJC Ont. to compile directory of Jewish services

TORONTO —

The Ontario Region of Canadian Jewish Congress has been awarded a $15,000 grant from the provincial government to complete a directory of Jewish services in Ontario.

Monte Kwinter, provincial minister of industry, trade and technology, recently presented the check to Eli Rubinstein and Faygie Schwartz, who chaired Congress's Task Force on Assimilation, Intermarriage and Jewish Identity.

A single directory listing all Ontario's services for the Jewish community was one of the recommendations put forward by the Task Force to bolster Jewish identity.

When complete, the Ontario Jewish Resource Directory will contain listings of all Jewish social and community services, culture and the arts, media, kosher services, synagogues and other religious needs, clubs and social services and educational institutions.

Ontario Region executive director Dr. Edmond Lipsitz promises the directory will be the first book of its kind, and will be an invaluable reference for every Jewish home in Ontario.

The directory will list services for 30 cities and towns in Ontario, and is scheduled for release this summer.

For details, call Dr. Lipsitz at (416) 635-2883.

Dr. Edmond Lipsitz (left), Monte Kwinter, Eli Rubinstein and Faygie Schwartz.

Goel Tzedec rabbi dies at age 96

By
BEN KAYFETZ

TORONTO —

Rabbi Samuel Sachs died recently in Santa Monica, Calif. at the age of 96.

He was spiritual leader of Goel Tzedec Synagogue from 1927 to 1946, when the congregation was housed on University Ave (Goel Tzedek later merged with the McCaul St. Synagogue to become Beth Tzedek Congregation.) The 19 years spanned the pre-war and war-time era when Toronto Jewry was "growing up." For much of that time he was one of only two English-speaking rabbis in the city and much of the shtadlanut and community deputizing therefore fell on his shoulders.

He had the ideal background to lead Goel Tzedec in this period of its transition when it was adopting tentative changes in the service and ritual that eventually were to lead to Conservatism, but was not yet ready to abandon Orthodoxy.

Sachs had his foot in both camps. As a lad, he had attended in Radin one of the classical yeshivas of Lithuania. Coming to the U.S., he studied at the Isaac Elchanan Yeshiva and the Jewish Theological Seminary.

He had received his smicha in 1916 and in the ensuing 10 years had served in Brooklyn, Detroit and Portland, Ore.

Sachs led the deputations to Mayor William Stewart to stop the flaunting of an inflammatory swastika banner during the Christie Pits riot in 1933.

The following year, when Canadian Jewish Congress was reorganized, Sachs took his place in the public relations committee which he chaired for a time. He was also active on the Jewish education committee, the German boycott committee and the arbitration committee.

Later, in the war years, he was chairman of the Intra-Jewish Committee — a body which undertook to enforce a kind of war-time self-discipline, among other things to see that Jewish merchants and dealers complied with the wartime restrictions on various supplies and provisions.

He acted as prison chaplain and this aspect of his duties came into prominent attention in 1930 when a Jew was arrested and eventually convicted of a murder charge. When war came he was honorary chaplain to the Royal Canadian Air Force.

All this came on top of a full schedule of fulfilling his official duties of leading and guiding the spiritual, cultural, social and ritual functions of a large and growing congregation.

He left Toronto in 1946 because of a malady that was removing his voice leaving him unable to perform most of his rabbinical tasks. In California he partially regained this function and carried on certain rabbinical and teaching tasks.

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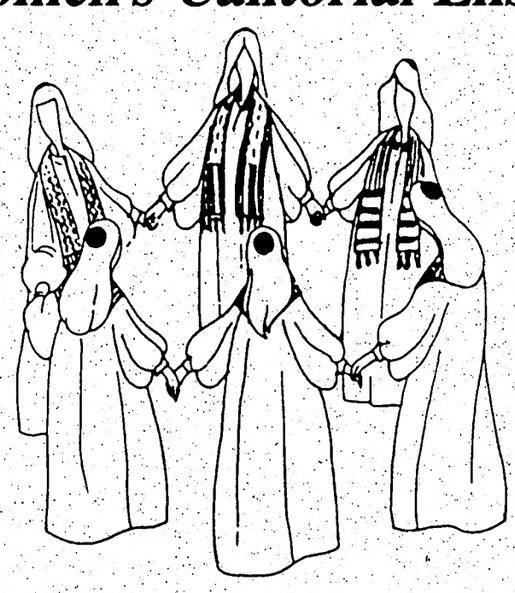

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Community leader honored

Regina Jews return for homecoming

By
CARLA STEIN

REGINA —
In 1932 little Adeline Natson and her parents, like so many others in those Depression years, was forced to leave Regina looking for more fertile soil to raise a family in. She never thought she would return.

But 57 years later she made the trip from Hallendale, Fla. this past Victoria Day weekend to help the Regina Jewish community honor her father, Zed Natanson, at the Beth Jacob Synagogue Homecoming 89.

Adeline, a legal secretary for 30 years, now retired, says the organizers of the event didn't even know she existed. "How could they know about me," she said, "I left Regina before most of them were born."

The committee who put together the gathering had contacted her cousin, Rita Lupavich in searching for a photograph of Adeline's father, a past president of the Regina Jewish community.

Rita, who spends her winters in Florida, showed her the letter she had been sent. Adeline decided to answer it, and was urged to come and attend the Homecoming, a project 2½ years in the making. Sadly, her cousin, who had planned to attend all along, was unable to return due to her husband's sudden illness.

About 250 people including current residents and former community members from across Canada and the U.S. attended the homecoming, which marked the 40th anniversary of the first dedication of the current Beth Jacob synagogue building. The first synagogue in Regina formerly stood on Ottawa St. It was built in 1912 and finally shut its doors in 1946.

Celebrations included a tribute to the contributions made by the women of the community, the honoring of past presidents, dedication of a second cornerstone for the building, and visits to rural cemeteries, where many members of the pioneer families of Beth Jacob are buried.

A time capsule was placed behind the cornerstone containing a list of the present community members, a copy of the constitution of Canada, a list of past presidents, and the sisterhood executive, and a copy of the commemorative video produced by Sherv Shragge, among other items.

Dedication ceremonies at the unveiling of the cornerstone were conducted by Paul Pearlman, the son of Sam Pearlman, the very first president of the community. Paul said of the weekend's events, "It was truly exciting to see old friends and people you grew up with." His wife, Anita, said "It gave you a feeling of really belonging and feeling a part of something."

Rabbi Soloman Truzman gave the blessings for the event. Majorie Silverman, president of the ladies auxiliary in 1949 at the first dedication of the synagogue, recounted how auxiliary members had furnished the shul by arranging to have commemorative plaques affixed to all donated items. The stone itself was donated by the Sunshine and Meirovich families.

Dignitaries, who helped to mark the event, included Les Benjamin, MP for Regina Lumsden, Larry Schneider, MP for Regina Wascana, Senator Sid Buchwold, and former Lieutenant-Governor Fred Johnson, who jokingly said that to make returning participants feel more at home, they had arranged for "a little wind, a little dust, and just the right threat of rain and snow."

Rabbi Soloman Truzman (right) and Toby Meirovich at ceremony at Regina's Beth Jacob Synagogue Homecoming 89.

Greetings came from current Lieutenant-Governor Sylvia Fedoruk, Regina Mayor Doug Archer and Joan Duncan, Saskatchewan minister of economic development and tourism.

Festivities included a dinner, which took place at the Regina Ramada Renaissance, and the Beth Jacob Synagogue exhibited displays of past community members and events, which covered the walls of the library and children's school. The community also produced an historical monograph of the Regina Jewish community from its earliest days to the present.

Connie Zalmanowich (nee Pearlman) now lives in Edmonton. She says growing up in Regina was a unique experience. "I live in a bigger Jewish community now, but I don't think you can really understand the special closeness you feel growing up with 20 or 30 Jewish friends in a small community unless you have actually done it."

Dr. Syd Brownstein, who now lives in Ottawa, came back to accompany his mother to the reunion. Bea Brownstein, now in her 80s, was raised in Regina, brought up her family here, and still lives in the city. Syd said he found it a much better weekend than he had expected. He'll always remember the warmth which greeted him.

"I left Regina 40 years ago, and yet everyone whom I knew remembers me and I remember them. I don't think of Regina as my home at all anymore, but its interesting to see how the people treat you as one of their own even if you've been away for most of your life."

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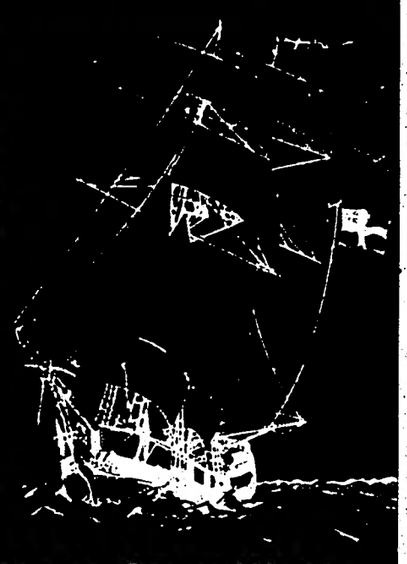

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BASKIN AND SHORT

TV and movie star Martin Short (left) clowns it up with Rabbi Bernard Baskin at the tribute dinner for the latter on the occasion of his retirement after 40 years with Hamilton's Temple Anshe Sholom. Hamilton-born Short, a close friend of the Baskin family, came specially from Los Angeles to attend the dinner. [Sophie Krausz photo]

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Organizations and People

Aish HaTorah honors Harvey Hecker

Diaspora Jews are told to maintain Israel support

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —
Diaspora Jews have no right to withhold support from Israel when it fails to do what they want, a former New York Times editor told an Aish HaTorah dinner here recently.

Speaking at a tribute for Aish Toronto president Harvey Hecker, A.M. Rosenthal said Diaspora Jewry should not acquiesce in the destruction of the Jewish state.

If Israel, increasingly isolated, loses Diaspora support, it will be alone in the world, Rosenthal warned.

The intifada, he said, has forced Israel to acknowledge the existence of the Palestinians. But it shouldn't be the justification for forcing Israel to do something which would endanger its existence.

Rosenthal told his listeners recent conversations with Palestinians both young and old have convinced him they not only want the territories but Israel itself.

And, after 41 years of Israeli independence, he added, every Arab state except Egypt still questions Israel's right to exist.

Libyan strongman Mummar Gadhafi, for example, is obsessed with Israel's destruction.

Earlier, Aish HaTorah founder Reb Noah Weinberg spoke movingly of his decision in the days before the Six Day War not to flee Israel but to stand by his fellow Israelis.

His wife, he told the dinner, prayed that if her five children were to perish, they die by God's hand — and not at the hands of the Arabs.

Weinberg urged his listeners to strive to regain their sense of Jewish purpose. Their destiny and the world's would be the better for it, he said.

It wasn't an accident, he added, that Hitler once observed that his true enemies were the Jewish people, not the Russians or the Americans.

"He knew the Jews had the vision to be a light unto the nations," Weinberg explained.

Weinberg praised Hecker for having the courage to believe that he as an individual could do something to bring young Jews back to Yiddishkeit.

"We need more men and women like Harvey," the white-bearded Weinberg remarked.

Earlier, tribute chairman Phil Schwartz paid tribute to Hecker for being devoted to both his family and the Jewish community.

Schwartz, who pointed to volunteer work for Baycrest, Mount Sinai, and Israel Bonds, said Hecker's involvement with Aish had helped fill a need in Toronto for Yiddishkeit, Torah and Gemara.

Hecker, who thanked both Schwartz and event chairman Harold Nashman, said the sight of so many friends at the dinner was another reminder of how Jewishness is synonymous with being part of a 3,500 year-old family.

"Imagine, everyone in this room had at some point in time a common grandfather."

Hecker left no doubt as to the reason for Jewish togetherness.

"The Torah has kept our people together for 3,500 years when other people have eroded, have assimilated," he remarked.

He also paid tribute to those who had worked to make Aish HaTorah Toronto what he said was one of the largest Jewish outreach organizations in North America.

"Each of us has changed this community; thank you very much."

Hecker's son Joel, who chanted the Hamotzi, said the many guests at the dinner bore testimony to the maxim in Pirkei Avos that the man who honors Torah will himself be honored.

Harold Nashman, event chairman (left); A.M. Rosenthal, guest speaker (centre); Harvey Hecker, honoree. [Zephyr Studios photo]

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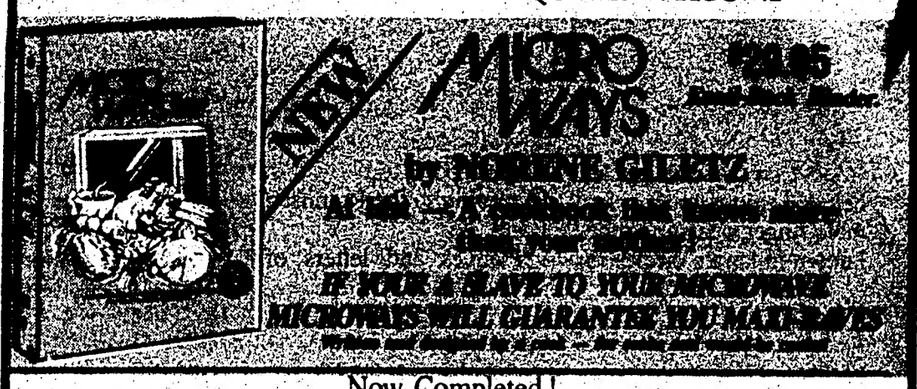

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JERUSALEM —
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The programs will be for Hebrew University students with a strong background of Torah study and will operate as a voluntary activity of the university's Hecht Synagogue on the Mount Scopus campus. There will be both formal instruction and *chevruta* study in pairs, as is common in yeshivot and other advanced Torah institutions.

The synagogue already offers a weekly 2-hour Bet Midrash program, drawing its students mainly from the Rothberg School for Overseas Students.

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Bloor St. Y honors Usher as its Man of the Year

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —
David Usher grew up in Cabbagetown "before that was a nice word to say" and has been an active member and volunteer instructor at the Bloor St. Y for most of the past four decades.

He was honored recently as the Bloor Man of the Year at the south Y's annual dinner.

Nearly 300 people (representing most of the Bloor St. Y's health club membership) were entertained as comedic skits, dances and songs were performed in Usher's honor.

Because the grocery company president is a "2nd-Dan" karate black-belt and enjoys opera, a female singer wearing a robe known in karate circles as a "gi" sang a number from Carmen.

She concluded by tossing a genuine-looking, albeit styrofoam, brick at the honoree's head in allusion to the well-known fact that he used to chop real bricks in half with his hands.

Because he is known to like dancing, a male and female professional dancer performed a rumba, then a cha-cha, before the young lady pulled him onto the floor for a disco number.

Usher, a former championship wrestler who also participated in weightlifting, basketball, handball, racquetball and other sports, told the gathering that for him, coming from the rough area in which he lived to visit the Y "was like going to the Promised Land."

Plaques and letters of greetings and congratulations came from Ontario Lieutenant Governor Lincoln Alexander, York Center MP Robert Kaplan, Metro Council chairman Allan Tonks, provincial NDP party leader Bob Rae, Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton and North York Mayor Mel Lastman, while Prime Minister Brian Mulroney sent a telegram.

Presentations to Usher were made by Jewish Community Center president Bernie Kamin, last year's honoree Kiva Barkin, provincial MPP Ron Kantor and Usher's "oldest buddy," Shael Sone.

Lindsay Henderson made Usher "an honorary staff member of JCC" on behalf of all the Bloor Street staff.

"Dave is one of those foot soldiers who provides leadership by being one of the boys," Kamin said. "He helps ensure that the JCC of Toronto fulfils its vision. Dave, I extend congratulations and best wishes to you, not just for what you've done in the past but for what you're going to do in the future on behalf of the JCC."

Ted Winick said, "To me, personally, Dave epitomizes everything that this place is about."

Sometimes called the King of the Dented Can by friends, Usher is president of Usher's Surplus Foods, a store that moved in recent years from the Queen St.-George St. area of Cabbagetown to the Queen St.-Dufferin St. area of west Toronto. He is also president of Usher's Wholesale Grocers.

Besides acting as a volunteer instructor for the Bloor St. Y, Usher was a volunteer in the Toronto Shomrim, or guardians, entrusted with helping in security arrangements for visiting Israeli dignitaries including Golda Meir, Moshe Dayan, Menachem Begin, Yitzhak Rabin and Yitzhak Shamir.

"I was lucky enough to be in that small group actually guarding those people," he says proudly.

NCJW pays tribute to its volunteers

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
National Council of Jewish Women Toronto Section honored volunteers and installed new officers at its annual installation luncheon held recently at Council House.

Eveline Berger, an NCJW member for 15 years, who has held positions including branch secretary, treasurer, vice-chairman and chairman was installed as president.

Jim Peterson, MP for Willowdale, said that Berger is a "fine decent person. She exemplifies the tradition you have followed in officers."

He added "I commend all of you for your tremendous work. You have helped seniors, youth and disabled with compassion, caring and enthusiasm."

Laughingly he said that "the only regret I have with NCJW is I was never a member."

Mae Waese, North York School trustee and a NCJW member, said that "Council enriches the community and lives

She said that "our future is strong because our volunteer membership is strong."

Berger said that she would like to see Council initiate a number of innovative programs such as helping to reduce the number of high school dropouts.

"I'd also like to see studies done on palliative care, AIDS and elderly in the community. Volunteers are the backbone of the organization. With your help we will continue to lead the way to tomorrow."

The installation ceremony included installing all new officers and awarding certificates to volunteers, some of whom have worked as many as 10,000 volunteer hours for NCJW.

NCJW members were brought greetings from such people as Premier David Peterson, John Turner and MP Barbara McDougall.

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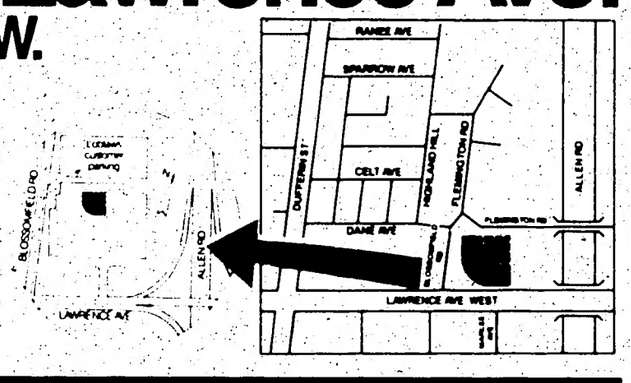

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Organizations and People

Rosensweig delivers Gasner lecture

Jews alone during Holocaust

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —
One lesson to be drawn from the Holocaust is that "when all is said and done, the Jew remains alone," says Rabbi Bernard Rosensweig, professor of philosophy at Yeshiva University.

Rosensweig, who was formerly a rabbi at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation in Toronto, recently delivered the 14th annual Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Lecture at Shaarei Shomayim synagogue. His talk was co-sponsored by the shul's adult education committee, Mizrachi of Canada and the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Rosensweig, spiritual leader of Adath Jeshurun Synagogue of Kew Gardens, NY, said that during the Holocaust, "for the first time in our history, the Jewish people was completely abandoned."

In the past, said Rosensweig, when Jews were expelled from one place, they found a new home in another. "This time, not a single door was opened.

"Where was the voice of the intellectuals? Where was the voice of the Church?" Rosensweig said. "The fact is, more often than not, the Church acted in concert with the Nazis."

Referring to more recent history, he asked, "Are we really surprised that in 1967 when (Gamasl Abdul) Nasser (then president of Egypt) declared his intention to drive the Jews into the sea . . . that there was no institutional response (from the Church)?

"It was a poitical problem, not a moral problem, we were told. When does a moral problem become a political problem? When it involves Jews," said Rosensweig. Then he quoted Menachem Begin as saying that Gentiles hate Jews and merely mask their genocidal intentions.

Another lesson to be drawn from the Holocaust is reflected in philosopher Emil Fackenheim's "614th commandment: We must not hand Hitler a posthumous victory," said Rosensweig.

"Our major energies must be directed toward making sure that Hitler's attempt to destroy the Jews will not succeed," said the rabbi. "We must build traditional institutions."

He suggested that it was the traditional Judaism of the Jews that allowed them to resist the Nazis' attempt to dehumanize them.

"There were a small number of Jews who succumbed to the brutality of the Nazis (and became brutal themselves)," said Rosensweig. "There were the kapos. But these were men who, in the main, did not have roots in Judaism."

On the other hand, "the more Jewish the Jew, the greater the resistance" they put up against the Nazi's attempt to reduce them to "untermenschen" (subhumans).

But while traditional Jews exhibited a unique heroism, "at Auschwitz, the humanistic idea of man died," said Rosensweig.

"The record of German academics was appalling," he said. "German scholarship provided the ideas and techniques that led to and justified the Hololcaust."

And, said Rosensweig, "If sophisticated Germany . . . could perpetrate the Holocaust, the West itself had failed."

He said that we are obligated to guard against "attempts to revise, trivialize, universalize and expropriate the Holocaust" and also against attempts "to deny the reality of the Holocaust."

He asserted that there is a "deliberate attempt by the Catholic Church to appropriate the Holocaust for itself . . . How else are we to explain the chutzpah of putting up a convent outside of Auschwitz (and of keeping) it there despite an agreement to dismantle it — as well as the erection of a 21-foot cross? How insensitive can the church be?" he said.

In conclusion, Rosensweig reminded his audience that "the Holocaust is not the only Jewish historical reality. Jewish history did not begin with Auschwitz, nor end (with it)." And for building the future, he said, "we must look to Sinai, not to Auschwitz."

Ethiopia's Jews are seen facing slow extinction

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —
The 15,000 Jews who still remain in Ethiopia are facing physical and spiritual extinction, a leader of the Ethiopian Jewish community told a recent forum on Ethiopian Jews held recently at Shaarei Shomayim synagogue.

The forum was sponsored by the Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews, Amichai (The Educational Fund for Ethiopian Jewry), and the youth of Shaarei Shomayim.

Avi Bitew said Ethiopian Jews are being taken from their traditional villages by the communist government and forced to settle in Christian and Moslem villages.

Bitew, an Ethiopian Jew who arrived in Israel eight years ago after a 28-day trek by foot to Sudan, said this "villagization" policy has made Jews vulnerable to attack by their non-Jewish neighbors.

"Ethiopian Jews, the oldest Diaspora in the world, are on the edge of destruction, he said. "In the new villages Jews are without synagogues. Young men are being conscripted in the army and the traditional religious leadership has broken down."

Noting that all Jews in Ethiopia are religious Jews who strictly adhere to the Shabbat which they consider God-given, Bitew continued, "They are now facing destruction of their livelihoods since in these new villages the only market day in the week is held on the Jewish Sabbath."

In Toronto for a month to publicize the plight of his brethren, Bitew made an emotional appeal for all Canadians to petition the government to bring pressure upon the Marxist regime in Ethiopia to permit the remaining Ethiopian Jews to join their brethren in Israel.

Bitew said the Marxist regime in Ethiopia requires aid from the West, and is vulnerable to pressure from countries like Canada to which it has some links. "The plight of Ethiopian Jews is a human rights issue, not only a Zionist one."

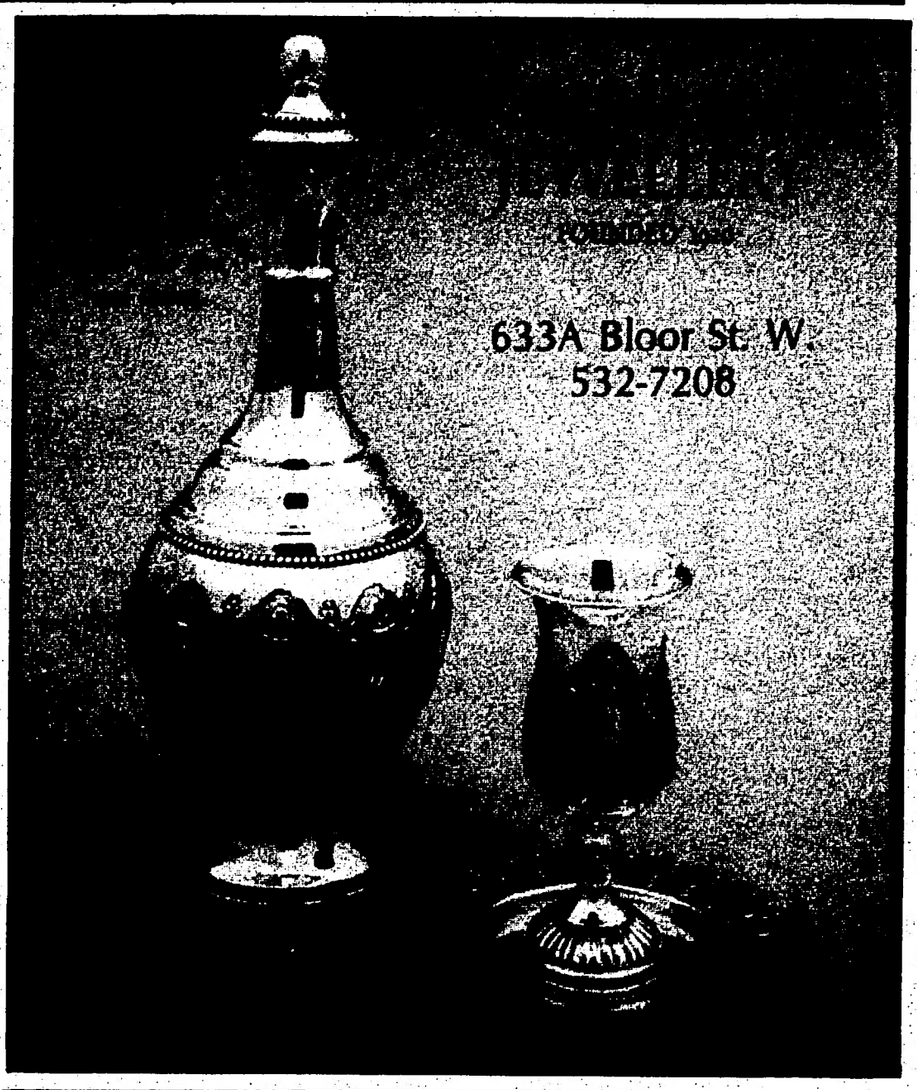
Bitew also recounted the history of Ethiopia's Jewish community which dates back to the destruction of the first Temple over 2,500 years ago. Jews there, he said, have always been persecuted, but have stubbornly clung to Judaism.

Bitew, a Ministry of Absorption employee, now aids Ethiopian immigrants adjust to a new life in Israel after suffering years of persecution in Ethiopia.

He said the 17,000 Ethiopians who live in Israel are undergoing severe psychological hardship from being separated from family members still remaining behind in war torn Ethiopia.

Debbie Molot-Toker, executive director of the Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews, introduced Bitew. Other speakers that evening included Israel Ellis, Youth Director of Shaarei Shomayim and Maxine Blendis, chairperson of Amichai.

Blendis spoke about her recent visit to Kedumin, a girls school in Israel, sponsored by Amichai, which provides technical training to Ethiopian girls who have been unable to complete studies in the Israeli school system.



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Organizations and People

"Bombarded with personal requests for help" in Moscow

Situation for Refuseniks is still bad, Raphael says

TORONTO —

Although the Soviet Union's public image has improved tremendously, the situation for Refuseniks is still bad, says Toronto lawyer Bert Raphael, who attended a recent conference in Moscow entitled Freedom of Movement.

The conference was held by the International Foundation for the Survival and Development of Humanity, whose board of directors include Nobel laureate Andrei Sakharov, former U.S. defence secretary Robert MacNamara and Occidental Petroleum chairman Armand Hammer.

Raphael, head of Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, attended the symposium with his brother Stan, and lawyer Rick Orzy, who are also members of CLJSJ. Also there from Canada were human rights advocate Prof. Irwin Cotler and Beth Tikvah Synagogue president Irwin Fefergrad.

The week-long conference brought some 300 lawyers, law professors and human rights activists from 10 countries, including Israel, to the Soviet capital to discuss mobility rights and family reunification, Raphael says.

Many Refuseniks came to the meetings to tell of their personal plights and they spoke with immunity, says Raphael. Most of them have been refused exit visas for reasons of state secrecy, and after he delivered a paper on what his group was doing in Canada, Raphael was "bombarded with personal requests for help."

The Soviet government is considering a new, more liberal immigration policy, but it won't be retroactive, he adds.

The Soviets' attitude, Raphael sensed, is that they don't want to see thousands of their citizens leaving and then spending months "in limbo" in transit camps outside Rome.

But a number of former Refuseniks were also in attendance and they admonished those still waiting to be patient and to go to Israel once they get out.

Toronto lawyers Rick Orzy (back left) and Bert Raphael in Moscow protest on behalf of Malka Prilutskhaja and her twin daughters, Vika (left) and Masha (right).

Although the gates for Jews have opened noticeably, Raphael says the situation is still dire.

"We heard dozens of horror stories, mostly about the bureaucratic mess," he says, adding that despite perestroika and glasnost, there are still lineups in the USSR for basic items, poor quality of food and consumer goods and general malaise.

Raphael also took part in a demonstration in front of the U.S. embassy with Malka Prilutskhaja and her two daughters, who have been waiting for exit visas, on grounds of family reunification, for years.

Raphael left the conference with a list of 600 Refuseniks on whose behalf his group will lobby for freedom.

Raphael's group will hold a public panel discussion on their trip and impressions, June 27, place and time to be announced.

Tap the Potential is Ontario's theme for seniors' month

TORONTO —

Senior citizens were honored for their contributions to the community and quality of life in the province, at the recent Ontario Senior Achievement Awards at Queen's Park.

The awards ceremony is just one of many events taking place this month to mark Senior Citizens' Month which is held annually to recognize the many talents and contributions of golden agers. This year's theme is Tap the Potential.

"They have a store of wisdom, years of experience and the desire to teach, learn and share their talents with others," said Mavis Wilson, minister for senior citizens' affairs.

In recognition of Senior Citizens' Month, special events are being planned by museums, art galleries, cultural and sports organizations, municipalities, community organizations and seniors' centres.

There will be literature competitions, lecture programs, trips, arts and crafts demonstrations, award ceremonies and trade shows.

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Organizations and People

Psychologist tells Emunah Women:

Although desirable, guilt can also be destructive

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

Although a sense of guilt can be desirable and even important, too much of it can be destructive, according to a panel recently sponsored by Emunah Women of Canada.

Rabbi Yitzchak Feigenbaum, psychologist Dr. Gerard Klein and educator Elaine Rubinoff told nearly 200 people at Shaarei Shomayim synagogue that it is important to distinguish between the two kinds.

Klein, senior psychologist at the S.D. Griffin Adolescent Centre and a consultant in child and adolescent psychology and special education, spoke of the natural guilt inherent in the process of maturing.

At each stage of separation from one's parents, or from a previous stage of life, he said, there is a sense of loss, and going along with that, a sense of guilt — the feeling that perhaps one really shouldn't be moving ahead.

How children resolve that feeling of loss, he said, will determine how much guilt becomes an overriding part of their personality.

On the other hand, he said, if the child for some reason stops the process of separation, there is even more guilt, as they realize that they are not following the normal pattern of life.

If a child is kept too busy with arranged activities to play and explore, he will be so dependent on the adult world that he won't be able to cope with the world on his own.

If an adolescent is punished too harshly, he will feel only anger; if he is governed too loosely, he will not feel safe and confident about becoming independent.

Rubinoff, who will be moving from She'arim Day School for children with learning problems to be vice-principal of general studies at Netivot HaTorah, said that guilt is promoted throughout a Jewish child's life, from parents' "do it for *me* "to teachers' "all Jewish kids are brilliant and you will be too."

Thus, if a child does not live up to these glowing expectations and demands, he believes that he has done wrong and is a failure.

Day schools, she charged, give lip service to being concerned with each individual child. In fact, she said, high marks are praised; hard work which may produce lower marks in spite of tremendous effort and will, is unappreciated.

Even the student who easily gets high marks feels guilty because he sees his hard-working fellow student less successful Rubinoff said.

She also objected to the emphasis on academic achievement to the exclusion of other, perhaps more important, characteristics.

"Academically brilliant students are valued far more than those with lower marks but who display compassion, integrity and strong interpersonal relationships."

What worries her, she said, is that day school students will get turned off religion too, as it will get bound up in that part of their life that appears to be unsuccessful.

Accept children as they are, she urged, with their strengths, weaknesses and different abilities.

Taking a different approach, Feigenbaum said that halacha, Jewish law, doesn't demand guilt, but rather repentence.

Feigenbaum, lecturer and director of the Darchei Noam Adult Education Institute, talked about Maimonides' steps to repentence.

The first step, according to the Rambam (the usual term for Maimonides), is to simply stop doing the sinful act — get it out of your mind and decide not to do it again.

That doesn't mean, he said, to think about stopping it — stop it.

Then, one must sincerely regret one's action, as well as the time wasted doing the act. "Realize that I, as a person created by G-d, shouldn't have behaved like that."

Only by coming to that realization, which he said comes after one stops the wrong action, can one really be considered repentent.

Play based on Holocaust hits home for one survivor

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Watching a recent high school production of I Never Saw Another Butterfly, a play based on the poems and drawings of the children of Terezin, proved an emotional experience for Nadia Rosa.

"I was one of those children," she told the audience, choking back tears. She thanked the cast and drama teacher Lyn Phelan on behalf of the Hamilton Yom Hashoa — Holocaust Remembrance Committee for their excellent and moving production of the play by Celeste Respanti.

Born in Czchoslovakia and taken to Terezin at the age of 7 with her mother, Rosa noted that she was one of the lucky ones.

"Of the 15,000 children in Terezin, only 100 survived and I am one of them," she said.

Produced last January as the final class project of second level drama students at Parkside High School in Dundas, the special performance at Dundas Little Theatre was sponsored by the Yom Hashoa Committee as one of two programs commemorating the 1½ million murdered Jewish children.

Convenor of the special performance was committee member Celia Berlin, whose daughter, Samantha, played the leading role of Raja.

On Yom Hashoa, over 400 people attended the annual Holocaust memorial program at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Guest speaker was Prof. Andre Stein of the University of Toronto, who read from his book, *Broken Silence*, a description of his feelings as a boy of 11 in Budapest, when the Germans began their roundup of Hungarian Jews.

In his opening remarks, chairman Gary Frydman recalled the horrible sights that had greeted him when, after a long forced march, he had entered Maidanek in the closing days of the war.

"And now there are deniers. As long as I am alive," declared Frydman, "I am not going to let anyone deny what happened!"

Noting that it was not the first time he had attended "this very important and very special observance," Hamilton Mayor Bob Morrow spoke of the importance of not letting "those horrible events of long ago ever be forgotten . . . so that the voices of people who deny (the Holocaust) will never be heard again."

Candles in memory of the Six Million were lit by children — Hilary Sherman, Michael Albert, Leah Loewith, Sarah Tuite, Nechama Kaufman and Aaron Caplan — and a special candle for fallen Israeli soldiers was lit by Dr. Danny Kollek, a former Israeli soldier.

Students of Hamilton's three Jewish schools took part in a special presentation and teenagers Samantha Beer and Jill Bergart sang two songs based on poems by child survivior Inge Auerbacher. Other songs of the Holocaust were sung by Charlotte Price and Brian Albert, with Cantor David Bercovici, who also recited the El Maaleh Rachamim and led the kaddish.

Fifteen-year-old cellist Ayela Seidelman gave a moving rendering of the Prayer by Bloch and others taking part in the program included Rabbis Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom; Rabbi Israel Silverman of Beth Jacob and Rabbi Morton Green of Adas Israel congregation; Hamilton Jewish Federation vice-president Abe Szpirglas, Nadia Rosa and Dr. Lester Krames. Accompanist was David Papernick.

Lubavitch to fete two women

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Organizations and People

Former area residents say "Thanks for the Memories"

Doctors Hospital gets support for new building

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —
The Royal York Hotel's vast Canadian Room was well-filled for the Doctors Hospital recent $125-a-plate fund raising dinner and reunion.

The evening's theme was "Thanks for the Memories, College St.," and many former residents of the old College and Spadina neighborhood were on hand to reminisce and lend support to the Doctors Hospital $10 million Building Fund Campaign.

Johnny Lombardi, owner of CHIN radio, served as the evening's master of ceremonies. "At the turn of the century," he said, "College St. became the street of dreams for the new immigrants arriving in Canada."

He recalled how the neighborhood was at first predominantly Jewish, until the Italians started moving in north and south of College.

Today, the area is home to Canada's multicultural mosaic, and Doctors Hospital, growing with the neighborhood, provides service in some 30 languages.

Al Waxman, the well-known actor-producer, reminisced about growing up in the area. He recalled that on Sundays he and his father "would end up walking around to the corner of Brunswick and College, where the sidewalk was especially wide."

Waxman said that there were always people standing around on that corner and talking — about sports and unions and the war. "This was about 1940," he said.

The evening began with a cocktail reception sponsored by Peter-Alexander Kircher, consul-general of Costa Rica, and with the opening of a time capsule recently unearthed from beneath the cornerstone of the oldest part of the Doctors Hospital building.

The time capsule — a one-quart preserves jar — contained the front pages of several newspapers of the day the cornerstone was laid — June 1, 1888.

A nickel, dime, quarter and 50-cent piece, all dated 1888, were also in the jar. Brian Cornwell, president of International Coin Certificate Service, estimated the combined value of the coins at over $30,000.

Other high points of the evening included the presentation of a $250,000 check for the hospital's Chronic and Ambulatory Care Unit by Mitchell Kunin on Behalf of the Samuel Lumenfeld Charitable Foundation, founded by Kunin's grandfather.

Dr. Ben Waxman was among the many supporters of Doctors Hospital in attendence. In 1953, four doctor Waxmans — Ben and his three brothers — purchased the hospital, which was then known as St. John's Hospital, and renamed it Doctors Hospital.

Molly Nightingale, who — according to the MC — ran the Brunswick Hotel, bringing in great entertainment "for about 100 years," and Sam (the Record Man) Sniderman both attended the dinner, along with many others with roots in the old College St. neighborhood.

Gerry Weiner, federal minister of multiculturalism, Ron Kanter, MPP for St. Andrews-St. Patrick, and Mayor Art Eggleton were also in attendence.

Entertainment was provided by the comedian Larry Horowitz, musicians Gaylord and Holiday, and singer Enzo Gusman accompanied by Rosario Ranallo, an accordian player.

Congress Archives receives over 200 files from URO

MONTREAL —
The Canadian Jewish Congress National Archives has received the settled case files of the United Restitution Organization headquarters in Montreal.

As the collection is comprised of over 200 boxes of material the Archives had to be expanded within the CJC headquarters in the Samuel Bronfman Building in order to accommodate it.

The URO was formed after World War II to file and handle Jewish restitution claims against Germany.

The files, which are for the most part in German, contain correspondence between URO's clients and West Germany. Each file contains a testimonial of each individual's war experience.

"The information in this collection constitutes a valuable resource for studies of the Holocaust period. Testimonials include descriptions of life in the ghetto, experiences in forced labor camps and in hiding," said acting Archives director Janice Rosen.

Researchers using this collection will be asked to not reveal names and identifying information about individual claimants in their published work, Rosen said, Researchers will be given access to these files at the discretion of the archivist, she added.

This material broadens the already important holdings of the CJC National Archives on the war and postwar period; holdings which include the collections of the United Jewish Relief Agencies and Jewish Immigrant Aid Services, in addition to the wartime records of Congress itself.

The taped reports of survivors who participated in the Holocaust Documentation Project, which culminated in the film Voices of Survival, are also stored at the CJC National Archives.

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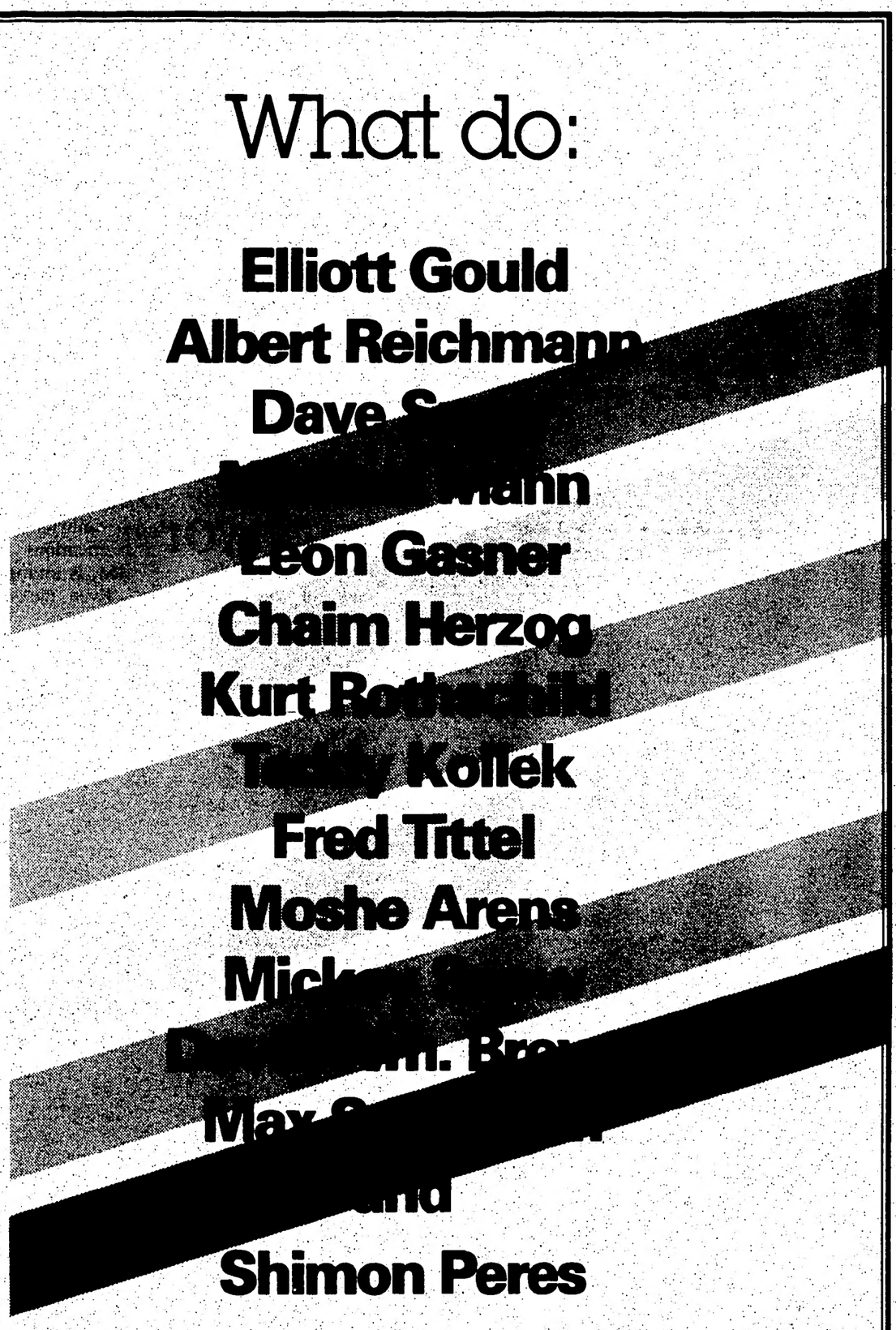

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Organizations and People

Afraid of anti-semitism

Jewish prisoners often deny their religion: prof

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —

The topic of Jews in jail "gives us all a bit of a shock," says Leo Davids, an associate professor of sociology at York University's Atkinson College.

Davids became a part-time prison chaplain in order to learn more about what he was teaching in his sociology classes. In a recent address to the Habonim Congregation on Glen Park Ave., he told about some of his experiences visiting the Warkworth federal medium security prison once a month for 2½ years.

"Jews in jail are part of what Zionism calls 'normalization,' of Jewish life, he said. "It's a reality. It's part of being very integrated in Canadian Society... (And) we are beginning to see some recognition of the fact that these people are part of the Jewish community."

Davids divides Jews in jail into two groups: "Jewish Jews," who have some Jewish background, and "the Jews you couldn't tell are Jews," and who may not be.

Davids explained that it's common for non-Jews to claim to be Jews. "In prison there's not a lot going on," he said, "so you play games. The name of this game is What Religion Am ' Today?"

Prisoners claim to be Jewish — or Christians or Hindu or whatever — for amusement or to receiv special benefits or to avoiu harassment.

However, while prisoners who aren't Jewish sometimes say they are, prisoners who are Jewish often say they're not. "Jews don't want to be known as Jews because they're afraid of anti-semitism from other prisoners and from the guards," said Davids.

"Kosher is another area for playing games," said Davids, "except this game is played by the [prison] administration, because they don't like it. Providing kosher food is a bother, Davids explained, so they make it difficult for the prisoner.

"They go to Stroli's or somewhere and they get a case of chicken dinners — 48 chicken dinners," said Davids. "Then they [the Jewish prisoners] have chicken for lunch, chicken for dinner, chicken for lunch, chicken for dinner . . . until the case is empty. Then they open the case of beef dinners . . ."

Davids said that "Jewish Jews tend to be in [prison] for some kind of white collar crime — some paper crime." The other kind of Jews tend to commit more "conventional" crimes, such as breaking and entering and so forth.

The number of repeat offenders among Jews is "a little better" than the norm, said Davids. "Many Jews are lucky," he explained. "They have a relative who owns a business and gives them a job [when they're released from prison]."

Davids pointed out that 99% of prisoners return to the community; very few die in prison. "They're coming back out, so we cannot forget about them," he said. But how well these people fit back into the community and how likely they are to return to prison depends on the services the community provides.

"Volunteers are very important," said Davids. "Most prison volunteers are recently retired men. They want to volunteer, but they also want to do something interesting."

Davids explained that women also volunteer and that the volunteers get to choose how much time they want to contribute and what kind of institutions they wish to visit — a city jail or a maximum, medium or minimum security prison.

Typically a volunteer will talk with a prisoner and bring him a copy of The CJN or other Jewish literature, said Davids. Also, a prisoner may ask a volunteer to give his parents a phone call to tell them how the prisoner is doing.

For more information on volunteer visiting — whether to prisons or to other institutions such as hospitals — telephone the Jewish Family & Child Service and ask for the chaplaincy department.

Rabbi sees reaffirmation of hope as the central message of Shavuoth

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

The moment of the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai was the beginning of the messianic era, affirms Rabbi Natan Lopez Cardozo.

"If not for the sin of the golden calf, we would be living now in messianic times."

The philosopher told an audience of nearly 200 at a lecture sponsored by Ohr Somayach at its Thornhill branch that when the Jews rebelled against God by building the golden calf, He realized that they weren't ready for purely spiritual worship.

They needed something tangible — prayer, sacrifices, a Temple, in order to experience God fully, he said.

Questioning why Shavuoth, the festival of the giving of the Torah, is the only major festival without any particular symbol or ritual, the rabbi used as the basis of his discussion a passage from Maimonides' Guide for the Perplexed.

This passage, he said, is so unusual, that it is still a subject of discussion among scholars.

Maimonides seems to suggest, said Cardozo, that prayer, animal sacrifice and a Temple are merely concessions to human weakness, whose necessity would disappear when humanity reached a sufficient level of maturity not to need them.

This seems to mean, he said, that man doesn't really need these things.

Animal sacrifice, for instance, he said, was the general mode of worship at the time. "In accordance with the wisdom of God, He didn't ask us to give it up right away"— that would have been contrary to the nature of man."

Maimonides himself, he said, appears to reverse himself. "In the Mishnah Torah, Maimonides says that in messianic times the Temple will be rebuilt and the practice of sacrifices will be restored."

The resolution of the conflict, he said, seems to be the realization of the true nature of God and of what our worship of him ought to consist.

The ultimate Temple, he said, is the whole world. "Since man can't grasp that notion, God captures a microcosm of the world" in one small place. When man realizes that God exists in every part of the universe, there will be no need for that symbol.

Similarly, he said, the ultimate method of communion with and praise of God is in silence, not ritualized prayer.

The kaddish prayer, said Cardozo, at one point says "Exalted and hallowed by God's great name," and at another point "He is beyond all power to bless and praise Him."

This contradiction continues in the morning prayers, which begin loudly and enthusiastically, then, "just when we get warmed up," we come to the climax, the Shema, and are told to be silent.

Cardozo related this paradox to a father and son being reunited after a long absense.

"When they are running toward each other, they would be crying and calling each other's name. When they finally meet,they would embrace silently, overcome with emotion."

Silence might be the preferred way to relate to God, he said, but if we were silent, our minds would wonder away from God, because "we are human and weak."

"We must understand as God does," he said, "that we are human, not angels."

Nevertheless, Shavouth teaches us, he said, that we will one day outgrow our need for symbols, and, in the days of the Messiah, will be able to sense the true essence of the universe.

That, he concluded, is the message of Shavuoth — "to remind us that we once made it," and it is possible one day to recapture what we lost after Sinai.

Lewis praises efforts of YCS

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Former United Nations Ambassador Stephen Lewis praised York Community Services recently at its first fund raising event, a cocktail reception at Holy Blossom Temple.

YCS, the only multi-purpose centre in Ontario that offers medical, legal and social services under one roof, was praised by Lewis as a truly remarkable achievement. "Do you realize how far ahead of time you collectively are?" he said.

Lewis stated that with all the poverty in the world, "we, as Canadians, should be thankful for where we live. But in retrospect it requires great resolve to make sure that given our riches every person and every child is responded to."

Lewis said that society must have places such as YCS that respond to people's needs with urgency. "At YCS your response is instinctive."

He said that nothing else in Ontario approximates YCS. "You will be a model for others."

Lewis said that "you don't get a lot of interaction these days that results in a truly human response. I salute you for that."

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Organizations and People

Silverberg wins in sports, business

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Being a self-starter has made Laila Silverberg a winner both in business and sports. The 64-year-old Winnipegger is currently in training for her 10th Manitoba Marathon (scheduled for June 18).

She has already run in three shorter Manitoba Runners Association events this year and tries to run in about a half dozen events a year.

"Running the Manitoba Marathon (the big one) gets a little harder every year," says the district manager for World Book Encyclopedias. "My daily runs are enjoyable, but I work harder in the marathon. I do my best to run it in a respectable time."

For Silverberg, her best time was 5 hours, 9 minutes (the top runners do it in 2-2½ hours). She has run five complete marathons. The last few years though she has only run the half marathon.

"I'm not confident I can go the whole 26 miles anymore," she says. "Running the second half is five times as hard on the body as the first half. Your body gets drained. The last few miles are a real struggle. It can be dangerous to one's health."

Although she says she was always a physical person, Silverberg never considered herself an athlete. In high school, she was only a spare on the track team. Selling encyclopedias door to door meant a lot of walking but her only other exercise before she discovered running 10 years ago was an occasional game of tennis. She remembers her first attempt at running.

"I had been stopping at the YMHA downtown in the mornings before work," she recalls. "A young man I got to know there was training runners for the first Manitoba Marathon. He encouraged me to come out and try. I could barely get around the track."

Her first race was a "run for fun" sponsored by The Winnipeg Tribune. "There were few other runners in my age group," she says. "I got a good spread in the paper, a lot of recognition. I still didn't think of myself as a runner but I was encouraged to keep going."

Her peak year was undoubtedly 1983 during which she ran in three marathons — Palm Springs, Winnipeg and Minneapolis — each about three months apart. "Minneapolis was the hardest," she says. "It was a little hilly." She has also run a marathon in Israel. She also does the Winnipeg Beach to Gimli run every year.

"Running," she says, "makes me feel physically younger. It gives me more energy. One year, I ran the marathon in the morning and danced the night away at a wedding in the evening.

"It's not for everyone though. You have to be in good physical condition."

Her training regimen is five to six miles a day, about 30 miles a week. During the winter, she runs daily indoors at the YWHA track. "I've run 500 miles since October," she says.

What does her family think of her running? She reports her husband, Harry, has always been supportive. In fact, he has even done some running, too, and entered a couple of marathons with her.

"The nicest thing about the Manitoba Marathon," she says, "is that you are not just running for yourself. It is a community event to raise money for the mentally handicapped. I have raised several hundred dollars for this worthwhile cause."

Although Silverberg does not actively seek out sponsors, anyone who is interested in sponsoring her or making a donation can reach her at (204) 339-4116.

3 tourneys a year enough for pro

Fulgosi enjoys time off tennis court

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Masters tennis star Della Fulgosi takes a balanced view of her sport.

The 2-time Canadian champion (1985, 1987) enjoys the competition of regional, national and international tournaments, but she's also grateful for the time away from the court.

And while she's somewhat in awe of the opportunities young women today have in trying to improve their game, she's certainly not envious of the "burnout" syndrome that also affects tennis players at a relatively young age.

From her point of view, as a masters level tennis player, she has the best of both worlds — the thrill of competition coupled with a life totally separate from tennis.

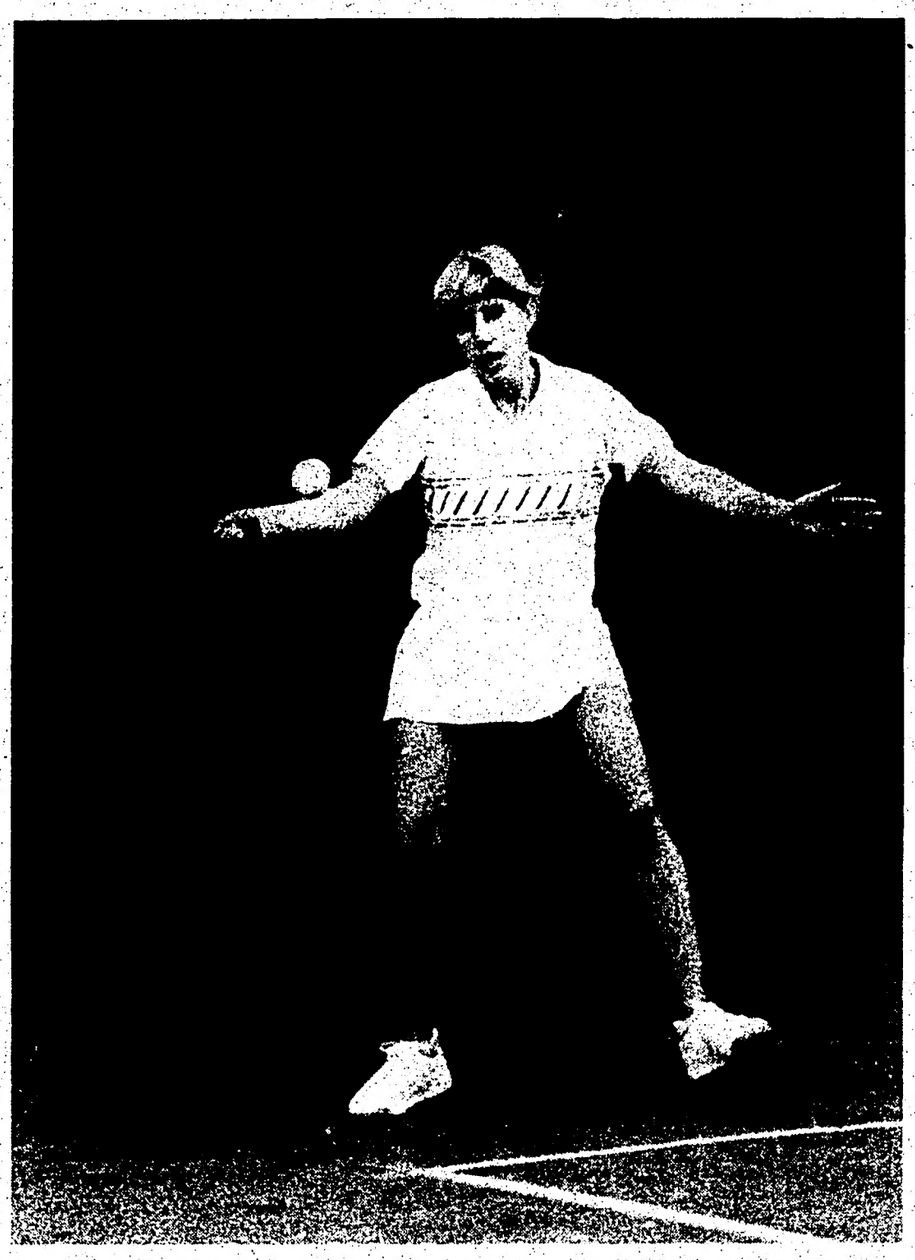
Fulgosi, 47, recently finished 2nd at the Fleischmann's Canadian Senior Ladies Indoor Tennis Championship in Toronto, losing to top-seeded Fiona McKenzie 4-6, 7-6 (8-6) and 6-1 in the 40 and older age group.

What must really hurt for the Toronto native is that she had her opponent, a former Rhodesian international player, at match point three times in the second set but couldn't put her away.

Putting aside their tough match, the two later paired up to win the tournament doubles competition.

In June, Fulgosi will be packing her bags for a flight to Poertschach, Austria, where the Young Cup for women 40 and better is being held. Fulgosi will captain a 3-woman Canadian team at the international tournament. Last year, she says, the Canucks finished 7th.

For Fulgosi, the two competitions represent about two-thirds of the tournaments she enters each year — and that's enough for her.



Della Fulgosi is about to make contact in her championship match at the Fleischmann's senior national championships.

"Seniors tennis is different (than the more youthful brand)," she says. "Everyone has another life. It's not the be-all and end-all of everything...It's a better balance and helps keep me in shape."

Fulgosi has been appearing in tournaments ever since she was 10-years-old, eventually being ranked 2nd in Canada in the junior (under 18) category.

She came by her interest in the racquet sport honestly — her parents, Ben and Anne Freedhoff, were avid players, with her father ranked among the top 10 senior men in the 1950s.

Her brother Butch also took up the game and in 1961 the Freedhoffs registered a first at the Maccabiah Games, when the entire family joined the Canadian Maccabi team in Israel.

Keeping the tennis tradition alive in her family today is her daughter Alison Lubin, who was named athlete of the year at Forest Hill Collegiate, where she excelled in tennis, skiing and baseball.

Fulgosi played in numerous tournaments from the ages 10 to 19, but marriage and raising a family put her tennis exploits on hold for a while.

At age 31, she picked up her racket again and played a few open tournaments, quickly finding herself ranked in Canada's top 10. At age 35 she stopped the competitive aspect of the game, finding there was too much pressure in playing against women who only played tennis.

She resumed her tournament participation when she hit her early 40s.

Looking back on her checkered career, Fulgosi says she would have liked the opportunity "to train and maximize my talent the way the young now can."

The top level coaching and intense practices differ markedly from her youth, when tennis was only a summer game, not a year-round sport with professional coaching.

"On the other hand," she says, "it remains for me a fun sport, and not a livelihood."

Fulgosi, a social worker, will wind up her summer tennis agenda at the Xerox Senior Nationals in Montreal in August.

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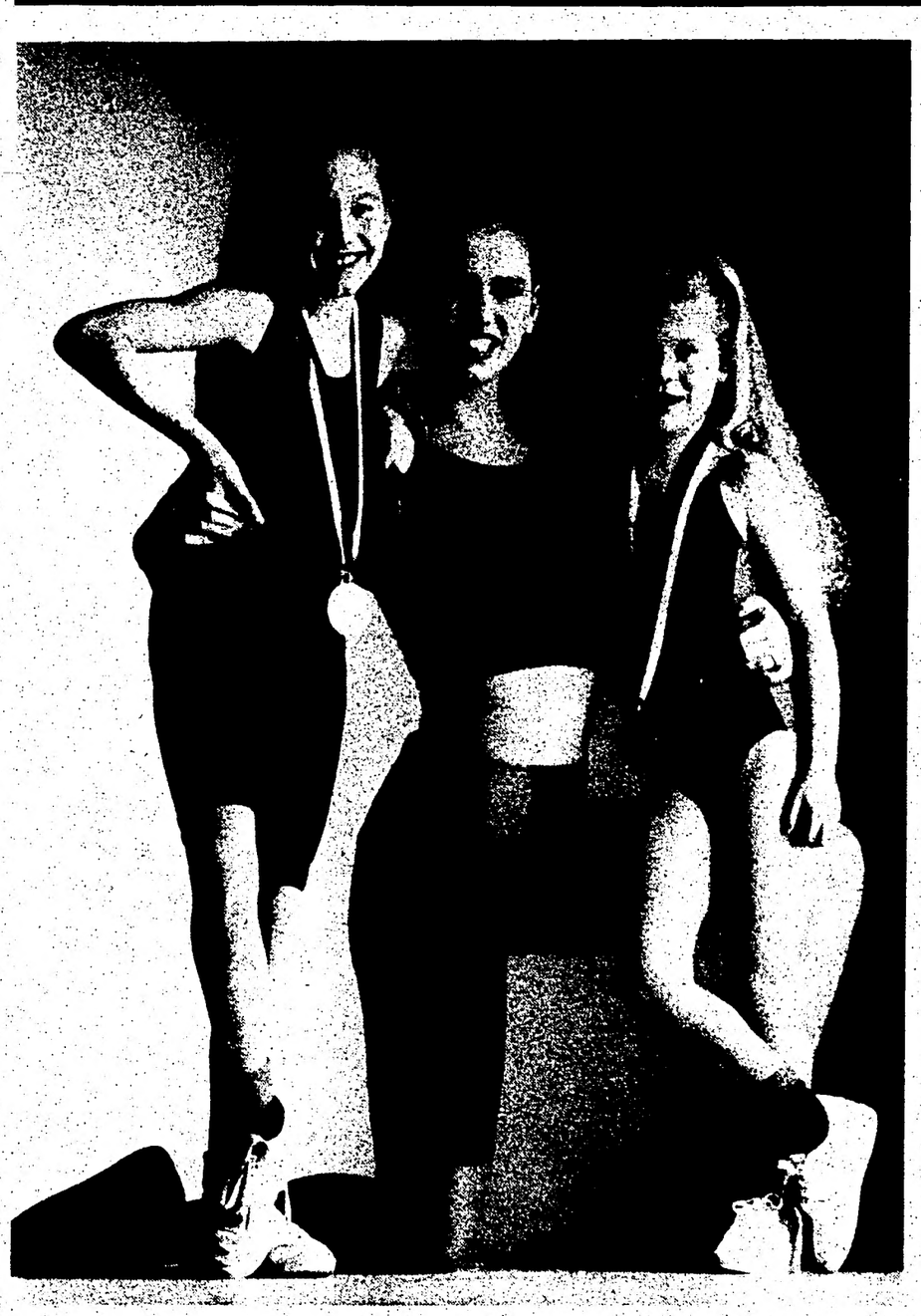

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By MARIE MOORE

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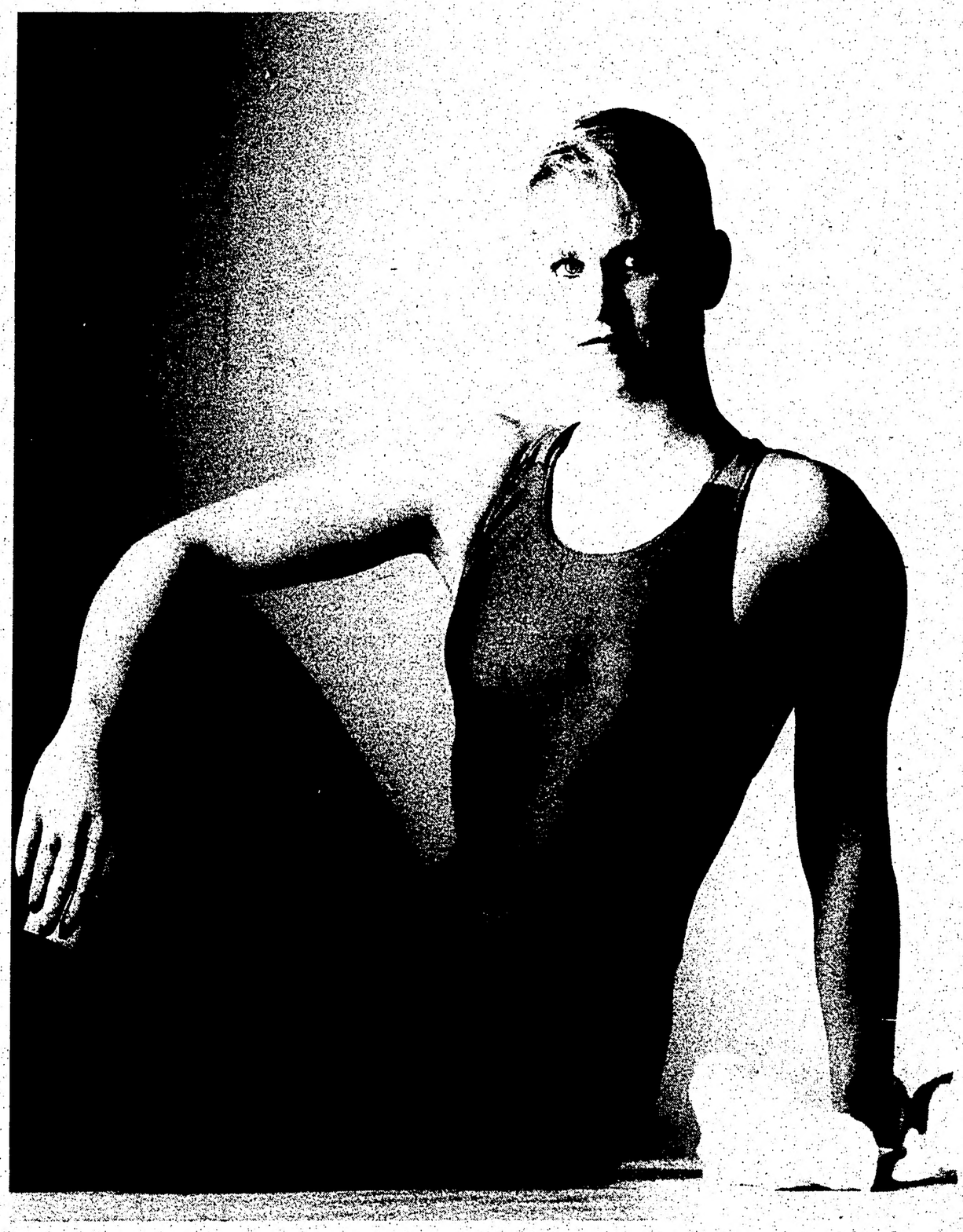

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Israeli styles

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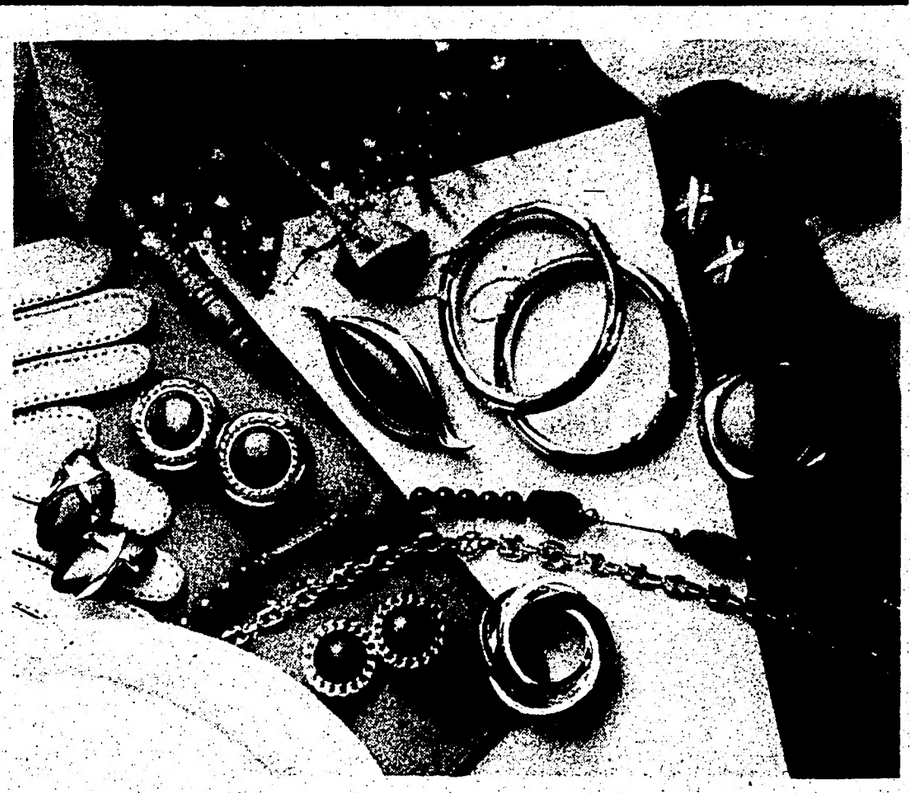

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Fashion

Waldo gets into the swim of fashion

Exercisewear is designed for easy movement

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heavy cotton jerseys. They feature oversized tops, easy pants, skirts and jackets with crest and stitch detailing that can also be translated into casual office wear.

The body-conscious exercisewear is perfect for the pool or workout. Designed for easy movement, pieces include cyclist inspired knee-length shorts, crop and tank tops, briefs, pull-on skirts and bandeau bras.

"The collection will appeal to women of all ages who are looking for comfort and durability of wear," Schuett said.

These are clothes that the Olympic double-gold medalist would wear herself.

"I'm very proud of the line," Waldo said. "The clothes are really me. They're fun and the bright colors are just my style."

Waldo appears in the retailer's catalogues, modelling her own fashions, but her involvement goes far beyond that. She makes several appearances at Sears stores across Canada, and has been featured in shopping mall fashion shows, modelling the new line.

In fact, she works closely with Sears buyers and manufacturers giving her input on design, fabrics and wearability.

"My name isn't the only important thing. Sears has made me part of their family for whom I am — not just what I've done.

"This contract was signed before the Olympic games because of the kind of person I am. I guess I'd describe myself as an all-round Canadian who's down to earth and enjoys people a lot," she said.

"Sears is really like a second family to me. They've added to my purpose and confidence. I know that I would not have been disowned, had I not won any medals.

"To me, the most important factors in the swimsuit product are the bright, energetic colors and the cut which emphasizes the positive curves on a woman's body," she said.

"There might be an expansion of the line in the future, but always exclusively with Sears. It's an exciting business relationship we share.

"I really enjoy meeting people in the stores and promoting the line on radio and television. The whole experience is great and I'm very, very happy with the Carolyn Waldo Collection."

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Sunup has 4 collections

Down under firm Oz-some

By
LORI SMITH

Surfing, swimming and going to the beach are all essential elements of the Australian way of life.

Considering that fact, it is no surprise that the swimwear designed and manufactured here is not only fashionable but also of the highest quality.

Sunup Australia, in Melbourne, is one of the country's leading swimwear labels. Created several years ago by Geoff and Sue Peterson, the line now is licenced to display the Australian-made tag on every piece in the collection. This tag is proof that the Peterson's have designed a line that combines high quality with style.

Paul Collins, national sales manager for Sunup, explains that the collection is composed of four separate lines: one group is designed for tots and young girls; the Lightning Bolt selection for the teen market; the Sunup line for women; and the most recent addition, the Ozzy Australian collection, a group that has been specifically designed for the 16 to 30 year old market in the United States.

Geoff Peterson, the managing director of the company, and Sue Peterson, who creates the entire range along with a design team of five, travel overseas each year to see the new fabric collections and to explore new trends.

However, the Sunup collection is not a hybrid of European and North American fashion influences. It is an Australian line.

Collins says it is not possible to take the influences of Europe and North American and use them directly. The dark, sombre colors in favor in Europe today are simply not what Australian women want. He says what they do want are bright colors so they can look summery as well as feel summery.

The Sunup collections do not disappoint.

Each group includes bikinis, mono-kinis, 1-piece suits, maillots and an assortment of co-ordinates including oversized coverup tops, pull-on pants, loose-fitting cotton shorts, cropped tops, lycra mini skirts, cycling shorts, pareos and other wraps. The colors range from soft pastels to fluorescent brights to navy and black.

Collins says they try to create full-style stories as often as possible. For example, the collection will include bikinis, high cut 1-piece suits and blousson styles all in the same fabric.

It is a significant aim of the company to appeal to as many women as they can. For that reason, they offer as many as 200 styles per season and pay close attention to detail: they are conscious of cutting legs too high because it is unattractive on many women; every suit that may be transparent when wet is lined; the bra tops on several bandeau designs are boned so they hold their shape; the finest fabrics are used, and the styles of the suits are enhanced by bows, ruffles, sashes and special buckle treatments.

Fabric imported

For example, a black-and-white print 1-piece has a solid black waist sash and gold plate buckles on the sides. The bikini in the same fabric features the same details. Another 1-piece suit is made from an imported Italian fabric with an embossed print design.

Collins emphasizes that they use the same fabrics as such famous swimwear manufacturers as Gottex. High quality is, he says, something that is demanded in the Australian market.

In terms of style, Sunup features the usual range of cuts. According to Collins, 1-piece suits account for 60% of their sales, but the bikini is making a slow recovery.

"In general, Aussie girls are not as modest as North American girls. They will roll down a 1-piece to sunbathe and roll it back up to swim and walk around."

The collections include a number of fashionable suits. For example, in the tot's line there is a lycra 1-piece in a black-and-white gingham check with a white eyelet lycra flounce around the hip and red piping on the body. The matching cycle shorts and cropped top also have a ruffle trim.

The tot's line also include a green and white striped suit with a flounce and solid-colored bow on the back; a blue and white striped 1-piece suit with a T-back in red corded lycra, and a blue and white striped bikini which has a co-ordinating cropped top and cycle shorts.

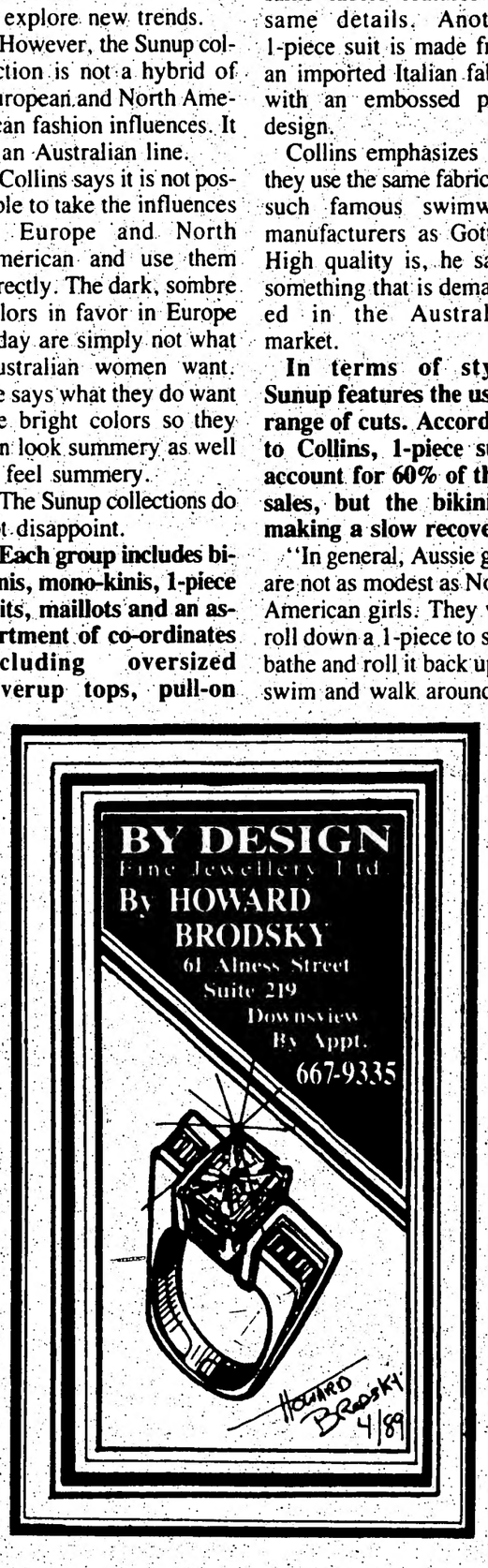
The collection as a whole features a lot of stripes but they are used to create innovative looks. Collins says that there are no longer any rules governing the use of stripes. They can run in any direction, be paired with dots, and horizontal lines can be teamed with verticals.

"Kids will be mixing patterns anyway so we let the buyer make up their own mind about what goes together."

However, the whole collection is not built on stripes and other bold geometrics. It also includes delicately embossed Italian prints, florals and abstract patterns. In the teen line both soft "outback pastels and trendy fluorescent shades are offered. And, finally, suits are available in a host of solid colors, including rose, green and blue."

The Sunup collections are currently available in department stores and boutiques in Australia, Singapore and New Zealand. The lines are also being introduced in Japan and the United States this season.

The Sunup line uses stripes to create an innovative look.



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Despite close and often illuminating portrait

Glen Gould's personality remains elusive, abstruse

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

Glenn Gould: A Life and Variations, by Otto Friedrich. Lester & Orpen Dennys, $27.95.

The first and only time I saw Glenn Gould in person was at a concert at Hamilton's McMaster University in the late 1950s. The legendary eccentric slouched on a low stool, a scarf around his neck, his hands poised over the keys. Suddenly a photographer appeared and stood conspicuously a dozen or so yards away, his camera at the ready.

Gould paused and waited. The photographer waited. Tension pervaded the hall. At last the pianist protested that he would not begin until the photographer left. A quick shot was taken and the audience relaxed.

A prodigy who performed with famous orchestras in his early teens, Gould grew increasingly wary of concertizing. He explained that he cancelled a scheduled concert with the Philadelphia Orchestra because "I have come to feel something approaching terror."

Once, he almost came to grief at a rehearsal in Hamilton when Boris Brott, moving back suddenly, almost crushed Gould's fragile fingers. "I was not aware of where Glenn was and I stepped backwards, and felt my heel just — well, my heel came down on this and he shook his hand and smiled and said, "It's all right. Don't worry."

Gould came to believe that recording would and should supplant the outmoded concert hall. He retired at 31 and devoted the rest of his short life — he died in 1982 at the age of 50 — to recordings and radio and TV presentations. Hundreds of his recordings are still in demand and 60,000 of his albums are sold annually.

His admirers sensed a burning passion, a strange power in his musicality. When he played he seemed mystically oblivious of his surroundings. They believed him when he wrote, "Art on its loftiest mission is scarcely human at all." They forgave him his quirks and foibles: Moans and groans as he played, phobic attitude towards drafts and colds, an obsessive concern for privacy.

His experimental documentary series for radio — and later TV — called *The Idea of North* was concerned with solitude as symbolized by the bleak, icy silence of limitless landscapes. Gould confessed that the basic theme of the series was that "solitude is the indispensable component of human happiness."

Afflicted with a variety of physical ailments, he ingested a jumble of medicines, including a vast quantity of Valium.

Often witty, charming and affable he could be cutting and inexplicably offended. He would communicate with some of his friends only by phone.

In a real sense he was an enigma, a genius without moorings — a figure of tragedy.

The author, a senior writer for Time Magazine, has written the biography with the cooperation of the Gould estate and has made use of letters and diaries, hitherto unavailable. A feature of the book is a record and radio/TV chronology — as well as a complete discography.

Despite Friedrich's close and often illuminating portrait, something of the subject's personality remains elusive and abstruse. Glenn was a mystery to the end.

Jerry Borins' "Surprise" 50th Birthday Party and other exciting news ... by Jerry Borins

. . . the great **Wheat Sheaf Tavern** corporate team which placed tenth out of 30 teams entered in the 1989 **Speedy-Baycrest Fun Run Corporate Team Challenge**. L. to R. — **Jerry Borins**, host & proprietor of the **Wheat Sheaf Pub** since 1969; **Harvey Solursh**, partner, **Solursh, Feldman, Sacks, Truster & Rochwerg; David L. Smith**, consultant, **Bengest Canada Inc.; Marshall Folk, Jaguar Beauty Supplies & Richie Borins**, summer director of Fun & Games, **Wheat Sheaf Tavern**.

In 1987, an astounding 127 of my closest friends in the whole wide world celebrated at the **John Molson Room**, Molson Brewery. It was the only time Molson hosted a private party & it was a huge success. Last year over 300 guests danced the night away at **Casa Loma**. The "surprise" is that each year my guests don't know where they are going when they first R.S.V.P.!! In 1988, they were subsequently notified to go to **Timothy Eaton Memorial Church**. I had an actor dressed as a **"Nun"** & with him **Wonder Woman** . . . in front of the church. They handed further instructions to my guests to proceed to the **Casa Loma** parking lot to park & take a limo to the next stop. I only had 2 limos there and had all the people waiting in front of **Casa Loma** for **more** limos to come. Also, I had placed a painted sign over the castle entrance — "Closed for renovations — open Sunday at 10 a.m." At 8:05 p.m. I announced that we could enter the castle but just for a few minutes . . . and the party started . . . Well next week we're celebrating my **50th** in much the same way. The only hint I can give you is that we're limited to 200 people and the party will take place under a famous roof . . .

This is my third year of involvement in the **United Way of Greater Toronto . . . "THE WAY TO HELP THE MOST"** . . . I was pleased to be asked by my swim buddy **Len Bramson** (chairman — **Telemedia Broadcasting Systems**) to sit on his **Special Events Committee** — he's this year's Special Events Chairman!!! (More about **Len & I & Ralph Fisher & Paul Godfrey** & the **Special Olympics** later on.) I'm chairing the **United Way Argos Forward Pass Program** and am thrilled that my old Pape, Strom, Sherman, & Lavine accounting friend **Bernie Federman** has accepted the position as Vice-Chairman of this exciting **United Way** effort. As you know Bernie recently became managing director of **Mintz & Partners**. Popular **Argo** owner **Harry Ornest** is tossing his support behind us as we sign up corporate sponsors to donate $1.00 for each yard gained by passing during the **Argos'** regular season. The **Argo** players who frequent the **Wheat Sheaf** are very excited about this wonderful project and will be available for guest appearances to help **United Way**. Last week I had the pleasure of hosting one of the media tables at **United Way's** annual luncheon toasting the media for their wonderful support. At our next table was **Peter Bronfman** who I met when we both were involved in interviewing prospective **United Way** agencies for developmental funding in 1988. Lunching with me were: **The Toronto Sun's Maura Staunton**, promotions director, who accepted her paper's award for most special events ads donated and **Pat Surphlis**, projects coordinator; **Sharon Podatt**, account executive with **Landmark Sport Group, Inc.** who represent amongst many others **Jessie Barfield, Kelly Gruber & Vicki Keith** (remember **Rob Chenaux** & I are co-chairing this year's **Variety Village Great Lake Swim**); and from **United Way, Brigitta Sprukulis, Liz Jadoo, & Irene Ferguson**. It was nice to see **Linda Kahn** (an avid reader of this column!) presented with a special gift for her fine work on the **United Way Board**. You also know **Linda** from her **U.J.A.** accomplishments. Anne Golden is President & Chief Professional officer of United Way of Greater Toronto and a joy!!

. . . It's really true . . . **people come up to me on the street to ask if people really come up to me on the street!!!** The **SkyDome Traffic Debate** on May 25th at the **Wheat Sheaf** was a very successful event. We got a lot of media attention and 200 people had a chance to heckle & cheer such great folks as **Al Leach**, the genial Chief General Manager of the **T.T.C.**, **Dave Ferguson** of the City Planning Dept. & **Ken Bell** of Diamond Taxi. **Steve Shaw**, the **SkyDome** Traffic Consultant sent a map & other goodies along . . . he is also a minister & had a call to duty at the last minute. **CITY-TV, CBC & CFTO** had cameras there; the **Star & Sun** sent reporters and reps from **CBC A.M., CHFI, Q107, & CJCL** had their microphones handy. **Barclay Koen-Butt**, staff assistant to Labbatt's chief **Peter Widdrington** (who attended my first debate) was at the **Sheaf** in his other role as **Toronto Star** columnist. **"Traffic Jam"** is his offering in the Star. Traditionally, pubs were meeting places where people gathered to discuss the issues of the day. So with our debates we are returning to that tradition once again. We established the **Dini Petty Traffic Trophy** to be presented soon to our patrons' most popular radio traffic reporter. Stay tuned!! . . . A new friend **Batya Nightingale** and her pal **Erica Arndt** are excited about **Bloorview Childrens Hospital** (celebrating 90 years of caring) and its great car wash all this week. You'll see antique & unique cars, eat some terrific hot dogs and help them help others — at 25 Buchan Court — **494-2222** — East of Leslie & Sheppard. They will clean-up! . . .

Thanks to **The Toronto Sun's** reporter **Sam Pazzano** & photographer **Mike Cassese** for their great coverage of the **Sheaf's** customers' reaction to the **Jimy Williams'** firing. The photo featured my handsome son **Richie** — home from **"Western"** for the summer. On the same day in the **Sun** it was reported that "local celebrities including **Honest Ed Mirvish & Wheat Sheaf Tavern baron Jerry Borins**" were at the MTCVA "kick-off to summer" luncheon (Now I'm a **baron**!) . . . Loved getting a thank you note from marketing whiz **Denise Bagley's** kids in London, **Diane & Kevin Gold**. Denise's twin grandchildren **Sasha & Zachary** are doing well . . . Do you think that when they asked **George Washington** for his I.D. he just pulled out a U.S. quarter? . . . **Beit Halochem's** gala dinner dance was a joy mainly because of our dining once again with **Israel & Sara Friedman & Batya** (the 5 of us were also together at **North York Symphony's Viennese Ball**) and being with **Colonel Yehoshua Bar-Am** and his lovely wife **Meira**. The Colonel and I had a chance to discuss our upcoming trip to Israel to see the **Adath Israel project Roots** forest. (Next issue I'll have some great news about **J.N.F.**, project Roots at Adath Israel, **Judith & Robert Ross, Frances Mandell** & I). Also seen at the Beit Halochem celebration: **Irv Green** (asking me about my P.R. duties with **T.J.A.S.**), **Randi Appleby** & her wonderful folks **Jennie & Morris, Al & Faye Mintz, Sheila & Ken Gottlieb**, the lovely & talented **Sheila & Jeff Engel & Bill & Goldie Rotman** . . . **Aish HaTorah's Harvey Hecker** was honoured recently at the very (deservedly) popular **Sheraton Centre** — so wonderfully directed by my pal **Ray Jacobi**. The kosher catering manager is the capable **Michael Rosen**. A hearty yasher koach to **Fran Sonshine & Myrtle Coopersmith** the dinner co-chairmen. I'll name names in about 3 weeks when I return to these pages. . . .

The youth at **Adath Israel** took part in a model Bar Mitzvah in the Chapel recently. My son **Andrew** was the "father" & **Matthew** played the part of the "president" (watch out **Morris Adams**!). **Noah Sonenberg** deserves a lot of credit for his remarkable poise during the ceremonies . . . Organizers were **Shoshana Cohen, David Sonenberg, Aaron Weinrath, Aaron Melman, Jonathan Shapiro & Isaac Becker** . . . It was a fitting farewell to the shule's popular youth director **Natalie Sobel. Harriet & I** were pleased to be part of her send-off!! . . . The next day we got a chance to see all of **Norm & Rita Rosenberg's** three grandchildren at **Stephen & Barb Rosenberg's** party for their lovely new daughter **Hailey Brooke**. What a bundle of joy! . . .

Lo & behold! No sooner do I mention **Beth Sholom's** new prez **Sam Zale** then **Mr. & Mrs. Sam Beallor** dropped in to see what the **Wheat Sheaf** was all about. They know **Sam**! My son **Richie** was the perfect host to them & also to recent Trent U. grad **Mark Borenstein**. A few minutes after they left guess who came in for some great **Wheat Sheaf** wings & burgers . . . the very same Sam Zale & Harvey Solursh — one of the heroes from our Wheat Sheaf Team in the Baycrest Run . . . Harriet & I are looking forward to the **Benefit Concert** for the **National Council of Jewish Women of Canada** — study & service branch — being held once again at the magnificent Kleinberg home of **Sara & Israel Friedman**. Two of their gifted children are performing in front of a sell-out crowd of about 250 music lovers. **Daniel** is currently composing works under commission for the North York Symphony Orchestra & the Orpheus Choir in Toronto. He has studied extensively for many years and has found the time to write two symphonies, 48 piano preludes, apiano & clarinet concerto as well as various Chamber & Choir works. His sister **Shoshana** has great credentials too and has been training for an operatic singing career with her father, **Israel** an exponent of the Italian school of Bel Canto singing. At the Kiwanis Music Festival she received four gold medals & a scholarship. **Julie & Esther Goodbaum** are joining us this coming weekend as we spend some time with the **remarkable Friedman family**!!!

Jerry Borins is sorting out a lot of names right at this very moment. He will be naming names & readers in his next column in three weeks. Please allow yourself some extra time on or about June 29th to go through the names . . . and thanks for your support.

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Showbiz Mishmash

Shaw's stripped "Superman" leads play hit parade

By
FRANK RASKY

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE —

It's the 28th season of the Shaw Festival, but things haven't changed much since last year at this intentionally quaint, Englishfied, picture-post-card town on the southern shores of Lake Ontario.

Kuddles Korner, my favorite of ye olde fashioned shoppes on Queen St., the main drag of Niagara-on-the-Lake, continues doing a brisk trade with American tourists seeking cute teddy bears as gifts for the kiddies.

And as in days of yore, **Christopher Newton**, the British-born artistic director, likewise continues luring the touristi with lightweight, safely escapist, summer stock fare at the first five productions that officially opened the festival's season.

To help you plan your theatregoing here, following are capsule reviews of the pick of the crop, listed in descending order of my personal preferences.

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The best of the five is a flawed, truncated production of the G.B.S. classic, *Man And Superman*.

George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950) wrote it in 1902 when he was 46 and at the peak of his powers. I still consider it the wittiest of his comedies.

It is, of course, Shaw's version of the Don Juan legend, but with a comic Shavian twist. His hero, Jack Tanner, instead of being a promiscuous skirt-chaser, is a confirmed bachelor do-gooder who becomes the helpless prey of an aggressive husband-hunter, Ann Whitefield.

In the Victorian era, people were shocked by Shaw's theory that in the duel of the sexes, it was women and not men, who when gripped by the Life Force, were like tigresses in heat, lusting for mates to perpetuate the species.

In the era of Women's Lib, when feminists openly advertise in the newspaper personal columns for Rambo jocks, Shaw's onetime scandalous thesis now seems more than a trifle dated. Yet he's such an entertaining writer that his script's wit holds up astonishingly well.

So why do I call it a flawed production? Because Christopher Newton, usually a smart showman, has either miscast or misdirected his two lead players dreadfully.

Kate Trotter, who proved herself a beautiful and gifted actress in the lead role of *The Grace Of Mary Traverse* a couple of seasons ago, would appear to have been a natural as the heroine of this period London comedy.

Shaw modelled Ann after his wife, Charlotte: a wealthy, strong-minded, schoolmarmish heiress, who revered intellectuals like her late father. In his script directions, he describes her as "ladylike, graceful and comely," a siren with "ensnaring eyes" and enormous energy, yet a "perfectly respectable, perfectly self-controlled woman."

Sherry Flett

In short, like most Shavian heroines, she is a bossy but likeable plutocrat, in effect a Shaw in petticoats. But under Newton's guidance, Ann is a simpering, grinning, blatantly devious twit, as much a femme fatale as a giddy adolescent.

Michael Ball, who portrayed the Mussolini figure in Shaw's *Geneva* last season, is similarly a disaster as Tanner. Our hero is supposedly an idealized self-portrait of Shaw with a touch of satire.

He is presented in the script as a handsome, slim Socialist reformer, with a devilish beard and a demonic "damn-you" glint in his blue eyes. He's an Irish Don Juan turned pamphleteer, who as the author of *The Revolutionist's Handbook*, has the audacity to give himself the initialled title after his name of M.I.R.C. (meaning "Member of the Idle Rich Class"). But on stage, this reformed, self-lampooning libertine comes across as a pudgy young Peter Ustinov, more a wimpy windbag than a magnetic Mephistopheles.

Happily, as compensation, the secondary characters are a choice bunch allowed lots of leeway to display their considerable comic talents. **William Hutt** is a sly scene-stealer as a choleric Victorian aristocrat who unwillingly shares with Tanner the function of being Ann's legal guardian.

I admired **Peter Krantz** as the weepy poet in the role of Ann's unsuccessful suitor, named Octavius (Ticky, Ticky Tavy) Robinson. When the romantic puts her up on a pedestal, Tanner admonishes the simp realistically, "Marry Ann, and at the end of a week you'll find no more inspiration in her than in a plate of muffins."

The poet is likewise ticked off by Tanner's Cockney chauffeur, amusingly played by the short, stubby farceur, **William Vickers**. When Octavius earnestly exclaims, "I believe most intensely in the dignity of labor," the chauffeur replies with the deflating 1-liner, "That's because you never done any, Mr. Robinson."

And I laughed heartily at the byplay between Tanner and Barry MacGregor, who portrays magnificently the all too brief role of Mendoza, the charismatic Jewish leader of a band of Spanish brigands.

Barry MacGregor

When they meet in the Sierra Nevada Mountains of Spain, where Tanner has fled to escape from the predatory clutch of Ann, Mendoza boldly introduces himself: "I am a brigand. I live by robbing the rich."

They shake hands good-humoredly when Tanner replies with like candor: "I am a gentleman. I live by robbing the poor."

Regrettably, this is one of the few exmples of biting social satire that has been left intact in the 3½-hour play. The famous 90-minute Don Juan in Hell dream sequence, which exhibits Shaw's cerebral wit in its most brilliant form, has been eliminated completely.

I am happy to report that the play in its original entirety, featuring MacGregor as a suave Lucifer debating in hell with Hutt and Ball, will be presented later in the season at 12 performances. It's a treat I eagerly anticipate attending.

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Occupying the second spot on my list is *Berkeley Square*, the epitome of *deja vu* flashback-cum-like travel fantasies, that **Shirley MacLaine** would surely adore and that lovers of ghost stories like myself equally enjoy.

You may have seen the 1933 Hollywood version of this play starring **Leslie Howard**, or its 1951 movie remake under the title of *I'll Never Forget You* starring **Tyrone Power** and **Ann Blyth**.

The original 1926 play, based on a fragmentary novel by **Henry James** called *The Sense Of The Past*, was confected by a New York journalist turned playwright, **J. L. Balderston**, who went on to become the Hollywood screenwriter of such successes as *Gaslight*, *The Bride of Frankenstein* and *The Prisoner Of Zenda*.

Neil Munro, who did such a fine job last season of directing the Shaw Festival's surprisingly intriguing sleeper, **Granville Barker's** *The Voysey Inheritance*, has staged this romantic melodrama with equal finesse.

It deals with an American named **Peter Standish** (convincingly portrayed by **Peter Hutt**, the talented nephew of actor William Hutt), who in 1928 has inherited the ancestral mansion in London's Berkeley Square. Obsessed by the hoard of the diaries and letters written by his namesake lookalike, he is magically whisked back in time to 1784 London where he assumes the role of his Peter Standish ancestor.

Nora McLellan

What makes the plot fascinating is the American's disillusionment with 18th-century London, where the aristocrats take a bath perhaps twice a year and are cruel barbarians who pay three guineas to watch a woman being burned to death. We are moved by his bittersweet romance with two lovely sisters — one who fears him as an interloper (**Sherry Flett**) and the other who indulges in the futile folly of loving him (**Mary Haney**).

I also liked the stylish performance of **Susan Wright** as their formidable, dowry-seeking mother, Lady Anne Pettigrew, and **Dan Lett** as their rapacious, loutish brother, who takes advantage of his position to seduce the family's helpless serving maids.

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Tony van Bridge demonstrated that he was a masterly director of **J. B. Priestley's** who-dun-it drama, *Dangerous Corner* in the Shaw Festival's murder mysteries last season.

This season, he is not only a masterly director, but also a superb, understated actor in the title role of Priestley's 1945 who-dun-it, *An Inspector Calls*.

We all know that Priestley was always a good yarn-spinner. But here he tells a good morality tale which is enhanced by a non-preachy smidgeon of social significance.

It's about a smug, blustery, self-made tycoon from England's North Country (played with a perfect Yorkshire accent by the versatile **Barry MacGregor**) who at a family party celebrating a marriage engagement is visited by Police Inspector Goole. He has come to investigate the death of a pretty 24-year-old girl who has committed suicide by swallowing poison.

By the time he has finished his quiet but firm grilling, it's clear that the tycoon, his straight-backed dowager wife, his drunken son and spoiled daughter plus her fiance all have contributed to the suicide. It would be unfair of me to reveal the trick ending, except to say that it's a humdinger.

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Good News is a 1927 college football musical by **B. G. DeSylva, Lew Brown** and **Ray Henderson**. Let's give it a rah-rah cheer, because, though corny, it's surprisingly funny and entertaining, containing such splendid standard tunes as *Button Up Your Overcoat, You're The Cream In My Coffee* and *Varsity Drag*.

Peter Hutt

It's two major assets are choreographer **Bob Ainslie** who staged the peppy charleston-style chorus-line dancing on the tiny Royal George Theatre stage and that tall, natural-born comedienne, **Deann Degruijter**, who last year was the standout clown in the musical, *Hit The Deck*, and this year in her flapper girl cloche simply walks off with the show single-handed while shimmying with a wacka-doo, wacka-doo, wacka-doo.

Charlotte Moore

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At the bottom of my list is *Once In A Lifetime*, the 1930 farce by **Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman**, about Hollywood's silent movies finding their voice and becoming the talkies. Last season, I lambasted director **Duncan McIntosh** for his wretched excess in trying to convert a 3rd-rate molehill into a glitzy mountain.

Peter Krantz

For some misguided reason, the Shaw Festival has decided to reprise this over-produced, overly noisy travesty of a Hollywood satire. But despite the valiant efforts of those magnificent farceurs, **Nora McLellan, Dan Lett, Jim Mezon** and **Charlotte Moore**, it remains a witless fiasco.

As **Robert Crew** phrased it wittily in his review in the Toronto Star, once is enough for *Once In A Lifetime*.

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Art a release for Israel Gur-Arieh

Diplomat's paintings featured at Arts Centre show

By
REESA AARON

OTTAWA —
Israel Gur-Arieh is a man of many talents. His is a life which adeptly meshes diplomacy with creativity: ambassador of Israel by day, painter by night.

It is his artistic sensitivity that will be highlighted this week as the Canada Israel Cultural Foundation hosts a showing of 52 of his paintings at the National Arts Centre.

John Fraser, Speaker of the House of Commons, officially opened the exhibit at the vernissage, which was held May 29. The exhibition continues through June 8. The paintings are not for sale.

It was the year 1974 when Gur-Arieh first applied paintbrush to canvas. With virtually no formal training in the area of art, he surprised even himself with the lovely visions peering back at him as a result of his efforts.

"I felt this need to express myself. For me, it is a very strong spiritual need," says Gur-Arieh. "I find now that when I don't paint for a stretch of time, I actually don't feel well. So I try to find the time, at night or on weekends."

The creative avenue he began to pursue proved to be a fortuitous choice. After only three years at it, the gallery of Amalya Arbel, one of the finest galleries in Tel Aviv, featured his work in a 1-man show exhibit.

Hundreds of people arrived to take in the raw talent of the neophyte artist. The artistic prowess lurking inside of him discovered, and now recognized, there was no turning back. An Israeli artist was born.

Since then, he has had his work on exhibit in Jerusalem, in the United States, in Chile and in Mexico.

His foray into the diplomatic service was no accident, however. After earning a BA in political science from Tel Aviv University, he passed the ministry of foreign affairs examinations and proceeded to embark on a most colorful diplomatic career.

His tours of duty included postings to Mexico, New York and Buenos Aires, where he served in a variety of diplomatic functions, in addition to his current stint in Canada. He has held the rank of ambassador since 1976.

He was born in 1924, the son of a rabbi in Bessarabia, Romania, which is now part of the USSR. He went to Palestine during World War II and later served as an officer in the Israeli Defence Forces.

"What inspires me the most, with regards to my art? Jerusalem. Without a doubt," says Gur-Arieh.

He has a special brand of fascination with the ancient city, and a great majority of his paintings depict the most splendid scenes and sights of Jerusalem. An eclectic of Israeli landscapes and abstract paintings also form a major part of his collection.

Ambassador Israel Gur-Arieh with some of his works at Canada Israel Cultural Foundation exhibit.

A hallmark of his work is his masterful use of a rainbow of colors which serves to add a note of drama and vibrancy. "Most of all, I love colors," says Gur-Arieh. "The world would be such a sad place without colors.

All of nature is equivalent to colors — the flowers, the trees, the sky, the mountains, the forests, the lakes. Colors fascinate me.

Gut-Arieh jokingly calls his wife Shulamit "my severest critic." They have one daughter, Shira, who is married and living in Israel.

"My wife knows if my work is not up to artistic par. She demands a high level of artistic excellence. She has great taste so I accept her criticism and I am grateful for it."

Peretz fought against threats to Jewish life: Wisse

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —
Isaac Leib Peretz, the Yiddish writer who rose to prominence in Poland around the turn of the century "did not harness himself to any one political cause," says Ruth Wisse, professor of Yiddish literature at McGill University.

Rather, said Wisse, who recently gave the 3rd annual Ronald Heller Memorial Lecture at the Community Hebrew Academy in Toronto, Peretz fought against threats to Jewish life — worker passivity, assimilation and anti-semitism — and would turn to battle whichever was the most pressing danger of the moment.

"The 1890s was a period of extraordinary political ferment," said Wisse, "[and Peretz] was very attracted to socialist ideas."

Peretz perceived the passivity of the workers — and their belief in passivity as a virtue — as a major stumbling block to improving their lot, she explained.

He wrote a story, "Bontshe the Silent," in which Bontshe, a meek, saintly person, is put on trial in heaven, said Wisse. In the story, not even the prosecutor can say a thing against him, so amid general acclaim Bontshe is told he can have anything he wants.

In the end, however, Bontshe's meekness is his own undoing; all he can think to ask for is to have warm bread with butter every day, and hearing this, the prosecutor laughs.

Peretz was in love with Western culture but opposed assimilation, said Wisse. The turning point in his life was his discovery of the literary treasures of the West. But though he fell in love with Western culture, in his autobiography he refers to his discovery of *"their* beit midrash" — Western civilization's house of learning, not our house and not his, said the professor.

Later in his life, when the labor movement became strong, Peretz switched his priorities and started working for the maintenance of Jewish culture, said Wisse.

He wrote stories such as Between Two Peaks, emphasizing the glory and vitality of two giants of the Jewish religious tradition — chassidism and the austere intellectualism represented in the story by the Rabbi of Brisk, Lithuania.

"What he [Peretz] began to conceive of," said Wisse, "was the Jews becoming a modern culture in the same way as the Poles were becoming a modern culture. Poles were an ethnic group. They had a distinctive language and literature, and a distinctive religion . . . Jews could become a culture of the same kind."

He believed that borders would be determined by culture, that culture would act as a guarantor of Jewish nationality, said Wisse.

However, Peretz was wrong, she asserted. "The Jewish people know that this conception of the politics of culture is not viable. It is armies, not culture, that determine borders."

Because Peretz's political vision proved mistaken, he is now a relatively obscure figure, although "by the time of his death [in 1915], Peretz was the most influential Jewish writer of his time."

Author Drache launches Ritual Slaughter novel

OTTAWA —
The launching of *Ritual Slaughter*, a novel by Sharon Drache, was held recently at the Ottawa Public Library.

The beaming author was on hand to sign copies as refreshments were served. Following the reception, the guests were ushered into the auditorium of the library, where they were treated to a most expressive reading from the novel by the author herself.

Jack McClelland, Drache's literary agent, arrived from Toronto to share in the festivities.

Set in the fictional chassidic community of Datschlav, just north of Montreal, *Ritual Slaughter* portrays the Orthodox custom of this Jewish sect in conflict with the French Canadian community.

It is a work of the imagination based on a composite study of various chassidic sects.

Drache now lives in Ottawa with her husband, Arthur Drache, and their four children.

The Ottawa-based author and literary journalist regularly contributes reviews and articles to a number of newspapers.

In her capacity as books editor, she also writes a review column for the bimonthly Ottawa Jewish Bulletin & Review. She is a member of the Writers' Union of Canada and is very active in the Jewish literary community.

Drache's first collection of short stories, *The Mikveh Man* (Aya Press, 1984), received critical acclaim, in Canada and in Israel.

Ritual Slaughter ($11.95) is the second novel in the New Canadian Novelist Series from Quarry Press. — R.A.

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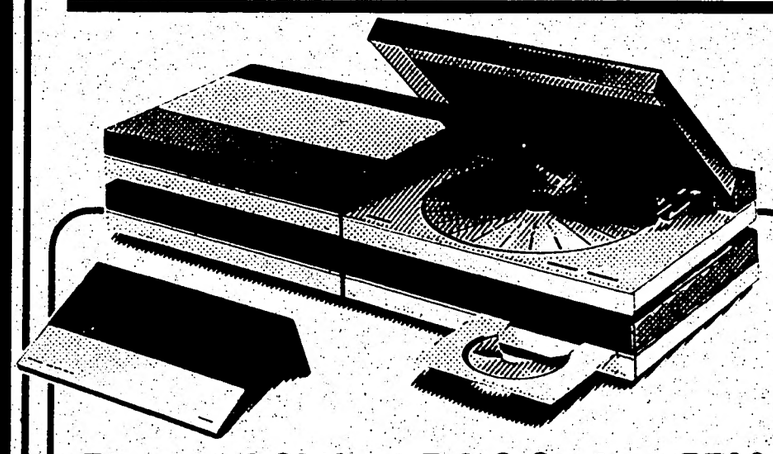

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Arts

Production of Miller's play faultless

Virtuoso performances make Price 1st-rate theatre

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

I wasn't surprised by the enthusiastic reaction of the audience to Theatre Plus' production of *The Price*.

Virtually everyone rose en masse, applauding in appreciation.

After an absence of 17 years, Arthur Miller's pungent play has returned to Toronto, and, happily, it is first-rate theatre.

Directed in faultless fashion by John Bourgeois, *The Price*, a tragicomedy, is presented on a stage cluttered with castoff furniture — antiques, if you like. The furniture is a reminder of a tangled past and an uncertain future.

Victor (Lubomir Mykytiuk), a policeman on the beat pushing 50, returns to an attic once occupied by himself and his late father, a wealthy businessman ruined by the Depression. Esther (Deborah Kipp), his rather stylish, nervous wife, joins him.

As they wait for an appraiser to assess the value of the furniture they hope will fetch a good price, they pour out their frustrations. Victor, his youthful promise shattered by his father's selfishness and his own naivete, contemplates retirement without really knowing what he'll do. Esther, clearly weary of the disappointments she has absorbed all these years, yearns for a materialistic lifestyle she once scorned.

Solomon (Peter Boretski), the canny appraiser nearing 90, seems more interested in Victor's personal problems than his ratty collection of furniture. Solomon, the only distinctly Jewish character in *The Price*, is something of a philosopher-pest.

Enter Walter (Leslie Carlson), Victor's long estranged brother, a medical doctor whose education was obtained at the expense of Victor. Now disillusioned with his life, Walter is in an expansive and generous mood, eager to make amends for his apparent sins.

The chemistry is not quite right and, as you might imagine, it is a situation fraught with tension, suspicion, mistrust and resentment.

Victor, the self-sacrificer, realizes belatedly that his humanity may well have been squandered in a useless cause, and that Walter just may not have been so mean and self-centred after all.

In Miller's universe, explanations and rationalizations do not suffice: Victor's suppressed anger and Walter's subliminal condescension ignite in a fiery encounter.

The Price, which runs until June 17, is distinguished by uncommonly fine acting. Mykytiuk portrays a man whose selflessness is called into question. Kipp is the loyal spouse whom time has soured. Carlson personifies the burden of guilt and remorse some people are destined to carry. Boretski, his booming Yiddish accent acting as a counterpoint to an unbearably oppressive atmosphere, is by turns rambunctious and funny.

Essentially, however, *The Price* **is remorselessly serious. In the final scene, as Solomon sits back in his chair, listening to a scratchy 1920s record supposed to induce laughter, the realization sets in that, in this instance at least, life is nothing but a cruel joke. And as a metaphorical exercise, it is a brilliant conceit.**

Theatre Plus' production of The Price stars (from left) Leslie Carlson, Peter Boretski and Lubomir Mykytiuk.

Faye Kellerstein's songs reflect range of Jewish joys and sorrows

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Music mirrors the soul of a people, says Faye Kellerstein, a well-known Toronto vocalist who views Jewish history through music.

"In spite of our tragic history, we Jews have always been a singing people," says the soloist whose evocative music dates back to biblical times, throughout the dispersion to the Holocaust, in Yiddish, Ladino (a mixture of Spanish and Hebrew), and modern Israeli music.

Kellerstein says, "We Jews express our joys and triumphs as well as our agonies and sorrows in our music." Her versatile repertoire includes Ashkenazi and Sephardi, Yemenite and chassidic, ancient Psalms and current Israeli songs.

Kellerstein will be one of the featured performers on Monday, July 17 when the Toronto Jewish Congress celebrates the 20th anniversary of the Committee for Yiddish and Jewish Culture.

TJC, in conjunction with the City of North York, will hold its annual Yiddish concert at Earl Bales Skylight Theatre where Kellerstein will perform Yiddish folk songs.

Her Yiddishe neshuma roots back to dark postwar Germany when she was only 2 years old. "I can still remember, as if it was a dream, the ship that brought me and my parents, Helen and Feivel (Phillip) Zucker from Wasseralfingen, a refugee camp near Stuttgart, to Canada to begin a new life.

Faye Kellerstein

Her father's first position was Baal Koreh (Torah chanter) at the Shaw Street Shul. He also gave private bar mitzvah lessons and as a youngster, Kellerstein learned the melodies of the Torah, the recitation of the Haftorahs, the Megillot and numerous nigun (melodies) and nusachot (styles of music for the prayers).

She attended Hillcrest Public School and in the evenings she would go to cheder (Hebrew school) at the Shaarei Shomayim Talmud Torah on St. Clair Ave.

From their father, Kellerstein and her sisters Shirley (Stuts) and Bella (Shupak) developed a rich background in Jewish liturgical music. On Shabbat and the holidays, they learned to harmonize as they sang zmirot.

Two events influenced the direction of her life. When she was 10 years old, her father was hospitalized and he required an operation on his vocal cords. He wasn't allowed to speak or sing for several months, so Faye stepped in to teach the bar mitzvah boys.

"I became his voice teaching his students at Shaarei Shomayim, where he has been the Baal Korah for more than 28 years."

"Around that time," she adds, "a pretty, tall, dark-haired woman named Varda Hall, would come to our cheder classroom to teach us Hebrew songs — but more importantly — she taught us how to sing them. Varda instilled in me a love of Hebrew songs and it was in her choir that I got my first solo."

For some unexplainable reason, she says, in high school she began having severe attacks of nervousness and avoided speaking, reading or singing in class. This fear followed her through undergraduate school where she received a Bachelors degree in modern languages and literature. And even when she became a French and English teacher, she continued her battle against her daily bouts of nervousness.

She married dental student Martin Kellerstein, and when her children were young (Rebecca is now 15, Jeremy 13 and David 11), she began taking music lessons and joined the Hadassah-WIZO Choir led by Varda Hall, the Temple Sinai Choir under the direction of Ben Steinberg, and later she sang with the Heritage Singers.

"I owe a great deal to Ben Steinberg. He is a most distinguished conductor, composer and teacher who inspired me greatly." And with the encouragement of the members of the choir, she began shedding her apprehensions. Soon after, she became a volunteer for seniors' groups, nursing homes and she began writing music and directing some of the productions.

Four years ago she turned professional when she was approached to perform a program on Jewish history through music. "This program required a great deal of research and involves a talk as well as music of the period."

Recently, Kellerstein presented a program on Jewish history and song to the Beit Haminyan Congregation where several years ago, she taught the women how to chant the Megillah for Purim.

Kellerstein has performed her program of history and music at the Jewish Public Library, the Jewish Book Fair and for numerous organizations. She is frequently accompanied on the guitar by duet-vocalist Bluma (Schonbrun).

She presented a program at the Precious Legacy exhibition at the Royal Ontario Museum, a Klezmer evening at Beth Sholom Synagogue, Yiddish folklore at Earl Bales Skylight Theatre and she was featured at an evening at Hart House honoring authors Fredelle Maynard and Sydney Bacon.

Today, Kellerstein successfully juggles her busy family life, volunteerism, her musical career and assisting her husband with office work at his dental office.

With clarity of voice and a knowledge of Jewish history, she has triumphed over her nervousness as she both teaches and entertains her appreciative audiences.

"I feel good about myself these days," she says. "I have accomplished what I would have thought impossible years ago."

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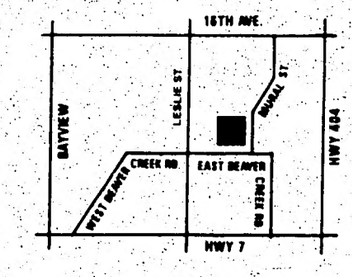

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After a while tedium sets in

Indiana Jones is electic mix of adventure, fantasy

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The third, and apparently final, Indiana Jones film by George Lucas and Steven Spielberg commends itself to an audience consisting mainly of prepubescent school children.

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade, however, appeals to adults as well. Its electic mix of high adventure, fantasy and timid sex transcends the age barrier. So it was hardly surprising that, here and there in the theatre, one spied a viewer with a strand of gray in his or her hair.

The basic appeal of *Indiana Jones*, now playing at Famous Players theatres, is essentially several-fold: the fairly exotic locales (the exquisite Roman ruins in Petra, Jordan, the canals of Venice, the rugged canyons of Colorado and the magnificent mesas of Spain), the strange blend of characters (nominally innocent Americans, bumbling Britons, maurauding Arab tribesmen, evil Nazis and a ghostly knight who claims to be several hundred years old) and the nonstop action.

It gets off to a roaring start with an old-fashioned chase on a moving circus train, wherein our hero, a youthful Indiana Jones, struggles free of gun-wielding bad guys by skirting wriggling snakes, live alligators and a growling lion.

Indiana Jones clutches a golden crucifix to his breast, the ornamental cross that links him to the frenetic search for the Holy Grail, the chalice which imparts everlasting life to its proprietor.

Cut to a bucolic university campus in middle America years later — 1938, to be exact. Jones (Harrison Ford), a rumpled archeologist who seeks truth, not "facts," is recruited to find the Holy Grail. He accepts the assignment only because his father (Sean Connery) has disappeared in the quest to locate it.

Finding himself in Venice, Jones meets a blonde bombshell (Alison Doody), a fellow archeologist who, horror of horrors, turns out to be a Nazi spy. But before Jones stumbles upon that ugly fact, they squirm past thousands of squealing rats in a sewer and cleverly outmaneuvre rogues of the Turkish persuasion in speedboats.

The most outlandish sequence occurs on a set which is supposed to pass for a Nazi rally somewhere in Germany. Amid a pagan book-burning ceremony, Hitler deigns to give Jones his autograph.

Sean Connery (left) and Harrison Ford star in the latest Indiana Jones picture.

Indiana Jones dredges up ethnic stereotypes with gay abandon: The swarthy Turks are not to be trusted; the Germans represent everything that is negative.

It's a well-crafted film, to be sure. But after all the gratuitous violence and miraculous escapades, one tires of the cliches dished out by Spielberg and company.

After a while, tedium sets in and a sense of deju vu inundates the screen. Maybe it is time to put Indiana Jones out to pasture.

Poet Barwin deals with "cultural iconography"

*When the phone rang, Abulatif Parker answered it. When spring came, he wore shorts and listened to sheep bleating in the fields. When he listened carefully, he heard small flower buds bursting in the garden. When the sky opened up and tiny green extraterrestrials began to land on his driveway, Abulatif knew some introductions would be in order... — First part of Gary Barwin's prose poem, Abulatif, published in Serif of Nottingham pamphlet**

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —

Writer Gary Barwin doesn't regret having his "prose poems" published in small pamphlets instead of bound books. He prefers it that way.

"The delay in terms of writing to publishing is a lot less and then I can sell them soon after and get some sort of response right away," the 25-year-old university student says.

Barwin also finds he has more control over how the publications look. If he went to a larger publisher, he says he would likely be forced to publish his poems in large collections as opposed to publishing them individually as he does now.

Gary Barwin

The St. Catharines, Ont. resident made the comments in an interview during a recent visit to Toronto.

A gentle, bearded man, Barwin said his prose poems deal with a number of issues, including places, kinds of mental processes and what he calls "cultural iconography" — images and symbols of North American culture.

He says his inspiration comes from other literature, the way language is used and the way people think.

"I'm interested in how people think and mostly I follow the language — how it seems to resonate and how it leads me on to explore its potentialities," he says in his musical, soft-spoken manner, revealing just a hint of his Irish past.

Barwin recently presented and sold some of his poems at the Small Press Book Fair held at a downtown church in Toronto.

His works — some published by himself under his own press name, Serif of Nottingham — are also available for sale at four Toronto bookstores — SCM Book Room, This Ain't the Rosedale Libary, York University Bookstore and University of Toronto Book Room.

The Jewish Belfast-born poet moved to Ottawa when he was 9 with his father, Norman, a physician and mother, Myrna, a computer project manager, along with his three siblings.

Showing signs at an early age of having many artistic talents, his parents sent him to Michigan's Interlochen Arts Academy where he completed grades 11 and 12.

He later spent a year at Montreal's McGill University and five years at Toronto's York University where he graduated with a BA in English and BFA in music.

Living in residence at York, he met his wife, Beth Bromberg, who's now a criminal lawyer.

They later moved to St. Catharines, which they deemed to be a half-point between Hamilton, where Bromberg works, and Buffalo, where Barwin attends a music composition graduate program at State University of New York.

In addition to writing poetry, music and occasional short stories, the multi-talented Barwin also plays jazz and South Indian music on his saxophone; baroque and Renaissance music on his recorder; and traditional Irish music on a variety of folk flutes.

He also draws, sometimes producing what he calls "visual concrete poetry" and other illustrations.

He began writing poetry, fiction and theatrical comedy sketches at the age of 15. His poetry style evolved as he entered his early 20s.

He describes his poems as being half-way between poetry and prose, with some being closer to poetry and others closer to prose.

The style — sometimes referred to as flash fiction or postcard poems — was originally developed about 100 years ago in France, and increasing numbers of writers have since latched onto it, he says.

Barwin began publishing his work in 1985. Since then he has had 18 poems published by Serif of Nottingham and eight by other small press entities such as Gesture Press, Underwhich Editions, Proper Tales Press and Utopic Furnace Press.

Almost 30 works have appeared in magazines such as Industrial Sabotage, Thalia Bulwinkle Review, and Lost and Found Times.

Barwin says he hopes to continue exploring areas of writing and music composition, while gearing himself to a university career in teaching music composition.

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Arts

Gallery Gatherings

Averbuch's work unveiled at NY Jewish Museum

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

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ABLE/disabled Creative Arts Centre: exhibits works by Elaine Pal at the Fourth Canadian Congress of Rehabilitation Conference to be held in the Skyline Toronto Airport Hotel, June 26, 27 and 28. To inquire further, phone 971-5110.

Arnold Gottlieb Gallery: Group of gallery artists until July. 80 Spadina Ave. Suite 313. 359-0103.

Art Gallery of Hamilton: Ray Mead, *The Papers*. Carlos Martins, *Engravings*. *Eyes on-Hands off Student Curated Exhibition* which has been curated by students from Ecole Georges P. Vanier, through an enrichment program in the appreciation of art. *1988/89 Acquisitions: New Work at the Art Gallery of Hamilton*, a selection of the most recent additions to the gallery's permanent collection. All are on view until July 9. At 123 King St. W., Hamilton. (416) 527-6610.

Art Gallery of Ontario: *The Curators Choose*, a show by the Art Rental and Sales Gallery, continues to June 18. *Recent Acquisitions in Master Prints and Drawings*, a significant show with works by such names as Picasso, Matisse, Degas and Tiepolo. Of particular interest is Study for the Hands of an Angel Holding a Violin Bow, donated by Arthur Gelber. Until July 9. *International Contemporary Art: Recent Acquisitions and Promised Gifts*, some 36 paintings, sculptures, photographs, prints, drawings, watercolors and installations, plus impressive works by major artists from local private collections which have been promised as gifts. June 20-Aug. 13. At 317 Dundas St. W. 977-0414.

Bau-Xi: Sasha Rogers, June 6-25. 340 Dundas St. W. 977-0600.

Denison Gallery: *Sculpture*, Leon Bookman; *Recent paintings*, Pierre Turgeon. June 9-24. At 7455 Victoria Park Ave., Markham 477-2552.

Evelyn Aimis Gallery: *Frank Stella Show*, to June 13. Group Show, through Aug. 14 Hazelton Ave., 961-0878.

Exhibition Place: *International Festival of Native Arts*, will include artists and craftsmen from North American tribes in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. Better Living Centre, Exhibition Place. June 3-11. Phone (716) 284-2427, 25.

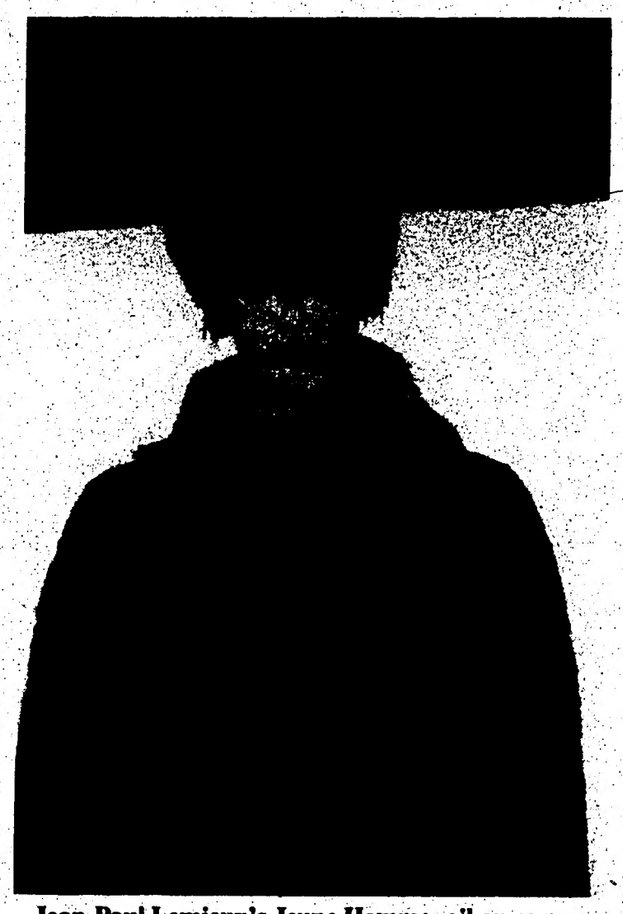
First Impressions Gallery: New original serigraphs by Carlos Impiglia. Until June 8. *The Summer Show*, a changing exhibition of established and emerging printmakers. Collages, mixed media and watercolors also on display. June 10 through August. 3441 Yonge St. 487-2887.

Galerie Baux Arts: Group show by gallery artists including several works in various media by Gail Schwartz which have earned an award of excellence from the Art Horizon International Art Competition. June through September. 2064 Avenue Rd. (south of Wilson). 322-0995.

Galerie Dresdnere: *Into the Woods*, Oriental-inspired landscapes, paintings and works on paper, by Regina artist, Jerry Didur. To June 24. At 12 Hazelton Ave., 923-4662.

Galerie Heritage: Summer show featuring sculpture from around the world. 137 Yorkville Ave. 967-1675.

Gallery Moos: *30th Anniversary Show featuring Iskowitz, Riopelle, Saul Etrog and Karel Appel, artists of international acclaim whom Walter Moos has consistently exhibited over the past 30 years. 136 Yorkville Ave. 922-0627. (Gallery Moos at 133 Greene St. in New York, is operated by Walter's son, David).*



Jean-Paul Lemieux's Jeune Homme, oil on canvas at Humewood II Gallery.

Quebec artists' featured

Gallery 306: Eight-Sided Vision: Artists Inner Bound, Eclectic show of masks, paintings, handmade paper, sculpture, jewelry, by Jonni Cooper, Elve Foote, Susan Lennox, John Main, Gloria Marshall, Barry Mattin, Jan Waldorf, Nora Wales. June 17-July 11. 421 Quebec Ave., 767-1540, 845-5357.

Humewood II Gallery: Works by Quebec artists, Jean-Paul Lemieux, M.A. Fortin, A. Rousseau, C. Picher, J.P. Riopelle, and others, exhibited at Humewood II in Toronto by the Quebec City Galerie Christin. Through the summer. 467 Jarvis ST. 961-9500.

Garnet Press Gallery: Regan Morris continues to June 10. Carlos Cesta/Laurence Breton, June 17-July 15. Also, Warren Quigley's *Perpetual State of Crisis*, spring/summer outdoor installation, until Aug. 25. At 580 Richmond St. W. 366-5012.

Harbourfront: Robert Fones, *Selected Works, 1979-1989*. John Greyson, *Fictional Documents: Gay Culture and the Media*. Until June 18. In the Power Plant, 231 Queen's Quay W. 973-4949.

Innuit Gallery of Eskimo Art: *Cape Dorset Engravings, A Retrospective*, to June 10. *Wall Hangings from Baker Lake*, June 17-July 7. 9 Prince Arthur Ave. 921-9985.

The Isaacs Gallery: Michael Snow, *Drawings*. To June 30. 179 John St. 595-0770.

The Jewish Museum (New York): *The Fall*, a new work by Israeli sculptor Ilan Averbuch, on view outside in the sculpture court. The wood and copper piece was modelled on the dome of a Frankfurt synagogue destroyed during Kristallnacht. Through Aug. 6. Also through Aug. 6, *In the Shadow of Conflict: Israeli Art, 1980-89*, paintings, sculpture and mixed media, which document the response of 18 artists to the political and social climate in Israel. *Memories of Alsace: Folk Art and Jewish Tradition*, Continues to Aug. 14. *Robert Capa: Photographs from Israel, 1948-50*. Through July 5. *From Seder to Stella: The Art of Passover in the Collections of the Jewish Museum*. Through Oct. 19. *The Holocaust*, by George Segal, a permanent installation. *Israel in Antiquity: From David to Herod Coins Reveal. Also permanent. 1109 Fifth Ave., New York. (212) 860-1888.*

Joseph D. Carrier Art Gallery: *Arthur Shilling Retrospective*. Paintings mainly of children, by the late Ojibway artist. Until Aug. 24. At 901 Lawrence Ave. W. 789-7011.

Justina M. Barnicke Gallery: *Tibor Polya and the Group of Seven/Hungarian Art in Toronto Collections I: 1900-1949*. To June 8. East Gallery, Susan Low-Beer, ceramic sculpture. West Gallery, Theresa Bolliger, primarily charcoal on paper. June 15-July 13. Hart House, University of Toronto. 978-2453.

Karney Gallery: *Rites of Spring*, florals and spring scenes including works by Lowell Nesbitt, Marjorie Pigott, Francois Gall, Alexander Millar, Nanou Matelljan and others. To June 24. 11 Yorkville Ave. 964-1122.

Koffler Gallery: *Harold Feist: Genesis of an Image*, a major exhibition of abstract paintings, acrylic canvases. *Michael Gerry: Recent Paintings*, acrylics and mixed media paintings in the Loggia Gallery. Both To July 26. 4588 Bathurst St. 636-2145.

Leo Kamen Gallery: Group Show, gallery artists, June, July and August. 80 Spadina Ave., Suite 208. Phone 365-9515.

The Market Gallery: *Building Bay Street*, photos, maps, paintings, documents and artifacts, reveal the evolution of Bay St. Until June 18. At 122 Scollard St. 961-4900.

The McMichael Canadian Collection: *Baker Lake 1974*, selections from the Baker Lake print collection. To July 16. *Cape Dorset Sculpture and Engravings*. Engravings by Kiakshuk and Pitseolak of Cape Dorset, donated by Judge and Mrs. D. Draper, will be complemented with sculpture from the McMichael permanent collection. Until Aug. 6 and, until July 16 a rare opportunity is offered to see many infrequently shown watercolors from the permanent collection. Islington Ave., Kleinburg, Ont. 893-1121.

Large scale oils

Mira Godard Gallery: *John Brocke: Seven Paintings*, large scale realist oils by the Calgary artist, on two floors. 22 Hazelton Ave. 964-8197.

Odon Wagner Gallery: Contemporary international painters in the Upper Gallery. Main Gallery, traditional European artists (18th and 19th century paintings). Through August. 194 Davenport Rd. 962-0438.

Quan.Schieder Gallery: Gallery artists, mid-June through August. 89 Scollard St. 968-7822.

The Robert McLaughlin Gallery: *Treasures from the Permanent Collection. To July 9. Jay McCarten: Figure-Shadow-Image*, June 8-July 23. Abstract artist McCarten is an Oshawa raised painter. *E. May Martin: A Painter's Daughter*, watercolors by the eldest daughter of T. Mower Martin. June 1-July 7. *Sporting Life*, The Thomas Bouckley Collection of photographs. To July 23. *Better Living: Don Carr*, works on canvas and paper. June 15-Aug. 20. *Painters Eleven*, Until Oct. 24. Civic Centre, Oshawa. 576-3000.

ROM (Royal Ontario Museum): The ROM looks forward to the opening of two major new gallery areas in the near future, The Samuel European Galleries and The National Sportsmen's Shows. Included in seven themed galleries, will be Arms and Armour, Costumes and Textile, Judaica and Metalwork. For details, as the galleries open, watch this space. 100 Queen's Park. 586-5858.

Yaneff Gallery: *Three Canadian Artists*, abstract oil paintings by Jerzy Kolacz; portrait heads and abstract oil paintings by Rene Marcil, and Pat Durr's works on paper. To July 14. At 119 Isabella St. 924-6677.

York Central Hospital: Solo show of watercolors and oils - landscapes, florals, still life, by Faye Schulman. Through June. 10 Trench St., Richmond Hill, Ont. (just north of Major Mackenzie, midway between Yonge and Bathurst).

YYZ *Human On My Faithless Arm*, a film by Valeria Tereszko, in the Video Room. To July 8. A group show in the Gallery, mixed media works by young Toronto artists. June 14-July 8.

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Set in a picturesque region

Gstaad is destination of the jet set

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

GSTAAD, Switzerland — Danny Rubinstein, a local artist, put it best.

"Gstaad was *gornischt* — nothing — until the train came."

One of Switzerland's most glittering resort towns, set in a picturesque, unspoiled region known as the Saanenland, Gstaad has earned a special niche for itself as a destination of the international jet set.

But Gstaad was little more than a remote, inaccessible and totally unknown destination until the advent of the railroad in 1904.

"The train stimulated the tourist industry," explained Rubinstein, who, together with his wife, Marta, are the authors of a handsome coffee table book on Gstaad.

The volume in question, *Gstaad in the Beautiful Saanenland*, was published in 1987. Two years on, it remains the most comprehensive book on the subject, a somewhat ironic development given the fact that the Rubinsteins were originally foreigners.

Danny, an Israeli, arrived in this country in 1964, literally on a stretcher. Suffering from a form of arthritis, he went to Switzerland for treatment at a clinic in Zurich. One thing led to another and Rubinstein stayed, becoming a recognized artist.

Rubinstein, who spends about a month in Israel every year, has exhibited his work in the Jewish state, Western Europe and the U.S.

Marta, an Argentinian Jew who wrote the text of *Gstaad in the Beautiful Saanenland*, met Danny in 1972 during a tour of the Sinai Peninsula.

The Rubinsteins, and their children, are usually in Gstaad in July and August, when the weather in Zurich, their home base, is a little too warm for Danny. Because of his condition, he cannot tolerate any degree of heat. Gstaad, therefore, is ideal.

Located in a broad valley at a point where the Bernese and the Vaudois Alps meet, Gstaad is about 1,300 metres above sea level. Bracing in the winter and refreshing in summer, Gstaad is renowned for its skiing (Alpine and cross country) and its walking and hiking paths which traverse some of the loveliest mountain ranges in Switzerland.

Blessed by generous sunshine, Gstaad and the Saanenland boast of 250 kilometres of marked ski runs of all grades and 69 cable airways and skilifts. For Nordic skiiers, there are 28 kilometres of trails.

In summer, ski aficionados can head up to the perpetually snow-bound Diablerets glacier. Those who enjoy the great outdoors and are willing to prove it can avail themselves of 300 kilometres of marked paths, along which are eight mountain inns.

The social "season" here begins toward the end of June, and the majority of visitors are Swiss, American, German and Dutch. Before World War II, the British outnumbered all other tourists. As in the past, most visitors come as individuals, rather than in groups.

Although Gstaad caters to all classes ("Here is every guest a king, and every king a mere guest," one local saying goes), it is common knowledge that the creme-de-la-creme consider Gstaad one of their haunts in this part of the world.

The tourist office confirms it. To quote a press release: "There is probably no other place in Switzerland which counts among its regular visitors so many crowned heads... so many ravishing film stars, so many leading personalities in the economic, political, cultural and sporting life of nations..."

Elizabeth Taylor is reportedly a "regular," as is King Hussein of Jordan. Marcel Dassault, the late French industrialist whose company manufactures the Mirage jet, would decamp here.

Gstaad's off-season population of some 3,000 swells when the rich and famous descend on it. Some of them check into the Palace Hotel, the focal point of high society here. Built 75 years ago, the 5-star Palace is the last word in refined opulence. (I stayed at the Hotel Bernerhof, a 4-star establishment near the railway station.)

The verdant slopes adjacent to the Palace are dotted with multi-million dollar grand chalets whose presence is a testament to excess. In German, the neighborhood is called Oberbord. In English, as a wag joked, it may as well be called Overboard.

Strict zoning laws in Gstaad ensure a pleasant uniformity. The traditional squared-post construction style, though more expensive to build, lends Gstaad an ambience that everyone appreciates immediately.

Culture is not merely a well-meant sentiment in Gstaad. Every summer, from August to September, the annual Yehudi Menuhin Music Festival is held at St. Mauritius Church in neighboring Saanen.

The rolling hills and dales on the outskirts of Gstaad are worth visiting. Minutes from the glitz of the Palace, you can observe farmers whose way of life hasn't changed much in about a century.

Through Danny Rubinstein, I met one such man — a grizzled, hospitable farmer who makes his own cheese and who lives in a house dating back to the 17th century.

Talking to this simple, down-to-earth man, I thought of the glitz of the Palace Hotel, and remembered Sir Winston Churchill's ringing phrase: So near, and yet so far...

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More information on Switzerland can be obtained from the Swiss National Tourist Office in Toronto (Commerce Court West, (416) 868-0584.

Swissair, the airline of Switzerland, flies from Toronto and Montreal.

Israel promoted in Japan

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — One of Japan's largest travel organizations has invested the equivalent of $800,000 in promoting travel to Israel among the Japanese.

The Japan Travel Bureau recently published an Israel-oriented travel brochure, angled at two target groups: female secretaries, who represent Japan's largest tourist group, are being enticed to Eilat, the Dead Sea and Jerusalem; and the more commercially-minded are being wooed with promises of diamond-buying sprees in Netanya.

Japanese yuppies who've not yet explored the pleasure of sailing on the Red Sea are being lured by the beauty and the spirit of adventure highlighted in the one million travel brochures published by JTB.

JTB has also launched an intensive advertising campaign in one of Japan's most prestigious women's magazines.

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Business Outlook

Firm will still operate independently

MDC Corp. acquires Toronto marketing agency

TORONTO —

MDC Corp. announced it has acquired a majority interest in Jeffrey Elliott Communications Inc. (JECI), a Toronto-based marketing communications agency.

The acquisition occurred in mid-May. The company serves major corporations in the financial, real estate and industrial sectors including market planning, public/investor relations, graphic designs and media placement, to name a few.

Under the terms of the agreement, MDC acquires 51% of the outstanding shares for cash and MDC Class A shares with a total value of $2 million.

Management of JECI, led by Jeff Elliott, president and CEO, will hold the balance of the shares and will continue to manage the day-to-day

Miles Nadal

operations of the firm and spearhead its future growth and development. JECI will continue to operate as an independent entity.

Revenue for JECI has grown at an average compound rate of 57% over the past five years. In connection with other recent acquisitions, the transaction is expected to increase the estimated revenue base of MDC of more than $20 million, and is expected to provide operating profits for all of the MDC Corporation of over $2.5 million. In fiscal 1988, MDC earned $463,000 on revenue of $9.7 million.

Formed in 1981, JECI has a professional and support staff of 15, and has won more than 20 international awards for its creative work across the full communications spectrum.

Clients of JECI include: Claris Corporations, Co-Steel Inc., Federal Industries Limited, Family Trust Corporation, Kaneff Properties Limited, The Landford Group, Mackenzie Financial Corp. Northern Telecom Inc. and St. Mary's Cement Corp.

"Jeffrey Elliott Communications has established an enviable reputation as the preeminent marketing services organiation specializing in the financial and corporate sectors," said Miles. Nadal, chairman, president, and CEO of MDC Corporation.

"The services of JECI are an excellent complement to MDC and will enhance the range and depth of MDC's selling proposition to its clients."

"We have chosen to be partners with MDC because of the similarities in our strategy and the shared philosophy between the two organizations. We look forward to growing together," Elliott said.

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Three-day realtors conference focused on wide range of topics

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. —

The 1989 National Homequity Relocation Centers (HRC) Conference was held recently here.

As a member of the HRC Network, Sadie Moranis Ltd. took advantage of the opportunity to send its management team to the 3-day conference. President Sadie Moranis and executive vice-president Stephen Moranis exchanged stories with other realtors, listened to experts speak on relocation topics, and attended special workshops.

Mr. Moranis said the conference focused on topics such as sales agent training, management techniques, creative marketing, business development and goal setting.

"I found the workshops to be both educational and informative, and I'm looking forward to applying many of the ideas presented in our day-to-day operations and service. All in all, I'd say it was a highly motivating, invaluable experience."

In keeping with the HRC's National Conference theme Reach for the Stars, Homequity vice-president of network services, W. Bruce Wallin, spoke about the past year's achievements which have set the stage for an even brighter future.

The HRC Network, composed of top independent U.S. and Canadian real estate firms with more than 1,500 sales offices and 32,000 sales associates in more than 300 markets, was well represented at the Conference.

Osem planning push into American market

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Osem Food Industries Ltd. is planning a major marketing push into the United States, aimed at non-kosher consumers, managing director Dan Propper said recently.

The company's exports to the U.S. are forecast to jump from $2 million last year to $3.4 million this year, with orders already received from large American supermarket chains such as Path Mark, Shop Rite, K-Mart and Food Emporium.

Proper said Osem is on the verge of opening a marketing office in New York, its first in the U.S. Osem's main export products are soup mixes. Osem's exports are sold under its own Gourmet Cuisine label, as well as under private labels.

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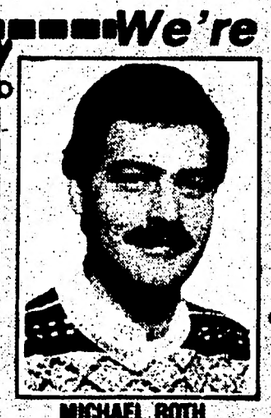
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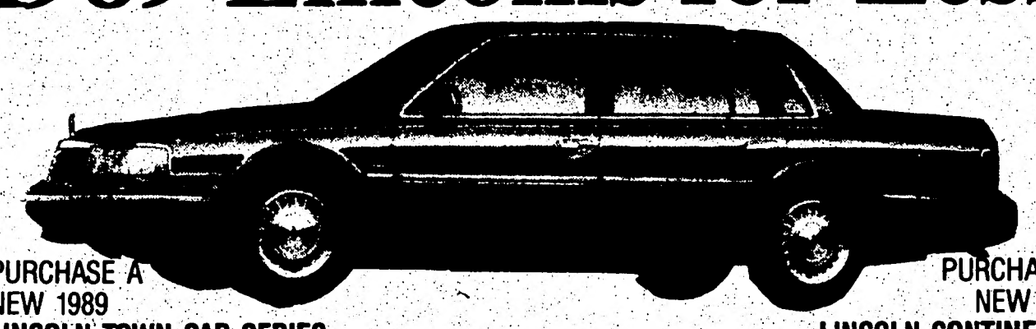
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Women's committee inducts three local merchants

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

TORONTO —

Local entrepreneurs Rebecca Ling, Julie Di Lorenzo-Palamara, Donna Glean Goldson and Kristina Appletree have been named to the Federal Business Development Bank's (FBDB) Women Entrepreneurs Advisory Committee for Ontario.

The role of the committee is to examine the concerns, needs and challenges faced by women starting or running their own small or medium-sized business and to provide recommendations to FBDB on how the Bank can better serve women entrepreneurs.

Statistics Canada figures for 1986 indicate that there has been a 20% increase in the number of women business owners since 1981. This is five times the 4% increase in the number of male business owners in the same period.

Ling is the owner and operator of Rebecca Ling Associates, a firm of chartered accountants specializing in financial planning and business consulting. She formed her business eight years ago. Ling, who is also the co-founder of the Toronto Chinese Businesswoman's Network.

Di Lorenzo-Palamara is the 25-year-old chief financial officer of Devon Construction, a concrete formwork contractor which employs 100 people.

Devon has completed work on many low-rise and high-rise commercial and residential projects in Toronto and is presently involved in construction on the Empire Plaza Condominiums, the Doctors Hospital office complex and Terminal III at Toronto International Airport, among others.

Devon has been in existence for the past six years and plans to enter the condominium market this spring.

Appletree is the proprietor of Kristina Appletree Ltd., a manufacturer and retailer of fine cotton, lace linen, duvet covers and lingerie.

She came to Canada five years ago and started her business out of her home. Today, she has a 7,000-sq.-ft. facility on Front St.

Recently, she was awarded the contract for all the linen for Langdon Hall, an old mansion in Cambridge which is being converted into a hotel.

The next step is to target her product to the country hotels and inns not only with linen but specialized monogrammed pieces as well.

Glean Goldson is a chartered accountant serving small and medium-sized Toronto businesses, including a number of female-owned companies. Previously, she spent eight years in middle-and-senior management positions in the financial industry. Although her business only opened last year, she has 13 years experience in the field.

The FBDB Women Entrepreneurs Committee will be addressing the issues of financing, venture capital, information, training and counselling, among others.

The FBDB is a federal crown corporation that promotes the creation and development of businesses in Canada, especially small and medium-sized businesses. It provides loans and loan guarantees, venture capital and a broad range of management training, counselling, planning and information services.

Realize the importance of properly drafted wills, tax specialist says

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

It's important both to have a will and to see that it's properly drawn up, accountant Minnie Lawrence recently told a Toronto Jewish Congress seminar on tax and estate planning here.

Lawrence, a tax specialist with Orenstein and Partners, Chartered Accountants, said that without a will, provincial legislation will dictate how assets will pass to the beneficiaries.

With the courts in control, assets may be frozen with the result that beneficiaries could find themselves temporarily strapped for cash. That's particularly bothersome for mothers who may have small children to take care of, Lawrence said.

Although handwritten wills (holographs) are legally acceptable, it's better, Lawrence said, to have wills drawn up by lawyers or other qualified people. That way, there's less likelihood of ambiguous wording or the exclusion of vital information.

Such data should include marital status, place of marriage and the names of children, grandchildren, parents, siblings and former spouses. A listing of assets could include personal effects, household goods, RRSPs, pensions, life insurance, real estate and foreign investments.

Special considerations must also be taken into account. If, for example, the testator — the person who makes the will — has an obligation under a divorce agreement to pay alimony or payments, the will can be worded so that they can be deducted from the estate.

Lawrence said it's also important that every page of the will be signed by the testator and two witnesses. Otherwise, there's no way of knowing if a page is missing or has been replaced.

She also recommended that a testator ensure all his dependents are properly provided for. That way, there's less likelihood they'll contest the will.

It's also important a will be kept up-to-date and that advisors be informed of any change to the testator's financial or marital status, Lawrence said.

Although a will may be well drafted, it's also important the testator choose competent trustees. They should be morally sound and even-handed, Lawrence said. And, there should be at least three of them to ensure more than one opinion is heard when important decisions are made. Having more than one trustee also ensures a replacement if one becomes sick.

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Israel high schools offering youth programs on Diaspora

By DORIS STRUB EPSTEIN

TORONTO —

Six years ago, when Miriam Margles was 13, a classmate at Bialik Hebrew Day School told her about the grade 10 program in Israel. Because she was rather shy and lacked self-confidence, she didn't pay too much attention.

At 15, with her parents' encouragement but minus the friend she had applied with as a "security blanket," she found herself at Kfar Blum, one of a class of 24, mostly from the U.S., in the special grade 10 class designed for teenagers outside Israel.

Jordan Kendall had no special Jewish background or ties to Israel. A Hebrew tutor prepared him for his bar mitzvah. "I went on a whim," he said referring to his decision to spend a year at Kibbutz Beit Hashita taking Grade 11.

Both agreed that the year in Israel had changed their lives.

Not only did they become more independent and mature, but they also developed a love for and strong ties with Israel.

"Although I went to a Hebrew day school and had a strong Jewish background, I didn't love Israel till I camped on the Kinneret," Miriam said.

Twenty years ago, Kfar Blum initiated as an experiment the first grade 10 class for students in the Diaspora. It became a highly respected program that brought students from all over the world, and received an award for outstanding achievement in education from the Israeli government.

Four years ago, Kibbutz Beith Hashita followed suit by starting a Grade 11 program.

Both the grades 10 and 11 are similar in that they fulfil the requirements of high schools in North America, and are taught in English by qualified and licensed teachers.

Hebrew language and literature are taught at different levels. Students are grouped according to their previous knowledge of Hebrew.

Recognizing that it is a big step to leave home for a year at 15 or 16, applicants are carefully screened. Academic standards are high and many students receive extra credit for kibbutz work and Hebrew and Jewish studies they take in addition to regular courses.

The school day begins at 7 a.m. and ends between 3 and 4 p.m. One day a week for eight hours, each student works for the kibbutz. This could be helping with the chickens, working in the orchard or even helping in the children's house.

The students are housed in comfortable modern quarters, usually three in a room.

Each student is adopted by a kibbutz family, ensuring a warm caring home like environment they can go to. Such closeness develops that invariably the student's entire family is involved by visiting their children in Israel.

Amichai Yarchi, 46, principal and founder of the Beit Hashita program, visited Toronto recently. He would like more people to know about the high school programs.

"My primary concern is the non-Orthodox," he said. "They are the majority. It's essential to give them the tools for Jewish identity before they go to college. Its too easy to assimilate here. Hopefully that year in Israel will make them more committed Jews."

For graduates Miriam Margles and Jordan Kendall it certainly is true. Miriam has been back to Israel twice and Jordan will return this summer.

Both high school programs are sponsored by the Department of Education and Culture of the World Zionist Organization in cooperation with the Israel ministry of education and the Kibbutz Aliyah Desk.

For more information call Stanley Yahev at the Kibbutz Aliyah Desk at 633-2511 or 665-7733.

Complete faith urged

TORONTO —

If you have bitachon, complete faith in God, you will have achieved peace of mind, better health and a happier life, says Rabbi Chaim Pincus Sheinberg, head of Torah Ore Yeshiva in Jerusalem and a scholar of wide repute.

Agudat Israel Congregation was filled to capacity with women of all ages, who flocked to hear him speak recently.

About 80 years old, his voice was weak and sometimes difficult to hear in spite of the special amplifying equipment brought in just for this lecture.

But his message was clear: Bitachon brings peace of mind, and in order to achieve it, one must have complete trust and confidence in Hashem.

When bad things happen, do not ask why, he said. This is frustrating and fruitless. People cannot always understand why because they are too limited.

Accept that God has a purpose that is ultimately good in everything that happens and move on, Sheinberg said.

If one has bitachon he or she will not stay stuck in despair. You will not worry. Worry is antithetical to bitachon, because, Sheinberg said, those who have faith believe everything works out for the best.

Torah is a means of attaining complete and utter faith in God because it helps us cleave to God, he said. The more mitzvot people do, the more they can cleave to God.

His talk was sponsored by the Orthodox Counselling Services, and was part of a series of talks with the theme of Loshon Horah. — D.S.E.

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55 **Obituaries**

Percy Rubenstein on May 11/89, late of 22 Bayhampton Crt.
Murry Freedman on May 11/89, late of 18 Lower Village Gate PH10.
Morris Malach on May 14/89, late of 85 Skymark Dr. #2703.
Roni Eigles on May 15/89, late of 21 Mayfair Avenue #611.
Ada Goldblatt on May 15/89, late of 72 Fulwell Cres.
Anne Lidsky on May 16/89, late of 4455 Bathurst St. #319.
Molly Rubinoff on May 16/89, late of 4415 Bathurst St. #1201.
Max Zener on May 17/89, late of 6 Saranac Blvd. #11.
Fanny Agranove on May 17/89, late of 89 Essex St.
Sarah Kalish on May 18/89, late of 3705 Bathurst St. Terrace Grd.
Marvin Mitchell on May 19/89, late of 64 Cadillac Ave.
Nathan Hundert on May 19/89, late of 55 Ameer Ave.

BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

55 **Obituaries**

Madeline Ellison on May 19/89, late of 212 Haddington Ave.
Michael Zide on May 21/89, late of 2084 Farrier Mews.
Margaret Tick on May 21/89, late of 73 The Bridle Path.
Maish Axmith on May 22/89, late of 35 Canyon Ave. #1403.
David Jacobs on May 19/89, late of Miami Beach.
Nathan Haspel on May 22/89, late of 205 Waterloo Ave.
Myer Ellison on May 23/89, late of 220 Oak St. #2601.
Tillye Garber on May 24/89, late of 4383 Bathurst St. #305.
John Abramson on May 24/89, late of 1051 Ossington Ave.
Molly Ramstein on May 24/89, late of 65 Wynford Hts. Cres. #1408.
Issie Weinberg on May 24/89, late of Leslie & Steeles.
Cecelia Siegel on May 24/89, late of 2500 Bathurst St. #603.

BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

56 **Unveilings**

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late beloved **John Coleman** will take place Sunday, June 11, 1989, at 2p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, General Wingate Branch. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Murray C. Goldman** will take place on Sunday, June 11, 1989, 11a.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Pride of Israel section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late beloved **Frances (Faye) Hoffman**, sister, sister-in-law and aunt, will take place Sunday, June 11, at 10:15a.m. at Dawes Road Cemetery, Beth David B'Nai Israel Beth Am section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Regina Kirstein** will take place on Sunday, June 11, 1989, 2:15p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Borchov section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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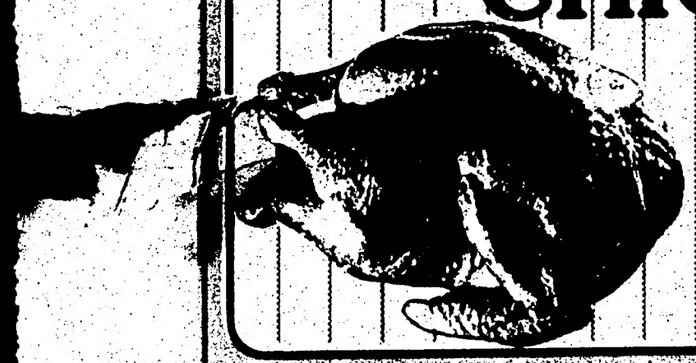
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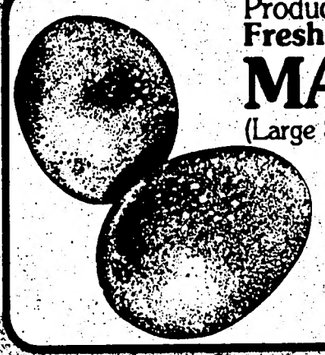
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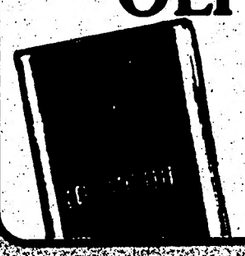
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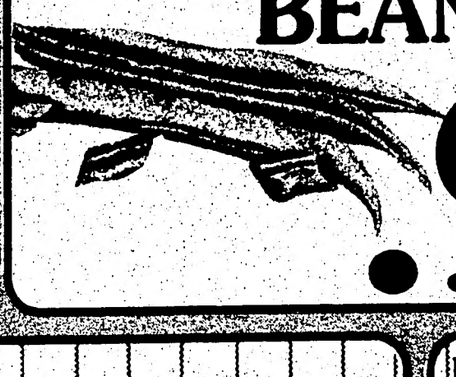
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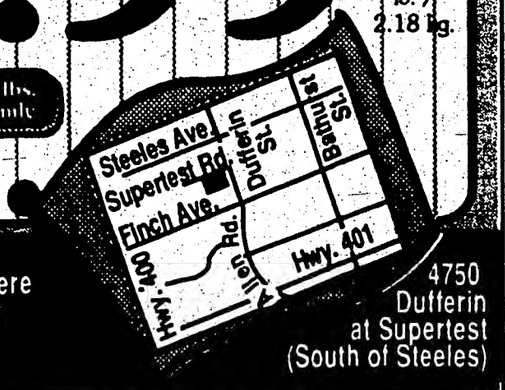

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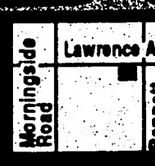

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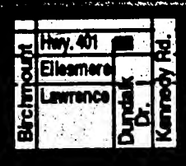

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It's a simcha!

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

Everyone loves a simcha.

But for some people, making the arrangements and looking after the seemingly endless details, often turns a happy and memorable event into an unpleasant experience.

The Talmud says, "When a man faces his Maker, he will have to account for those (G-d given) pleasures of life he failed to enjoy." (Kiddushin)

Throughout our history, the phrase mazel tov has signaled feelings of joy and celebration.

In Fiddler on the Roof, we vividly witness the spontaneous mood of exaltation sparked by the words mazel tov when an engagement is arranged between Tevye and the butcher, Lazor. The spirited singing and dancing, despite persecution, outrage and pain, have always been the Jewish way of rising above adversity.

We have inherited a rich tradition of celebration. Our calendar is filled with joyous festivals and the Jewish life cycle presents many opportunities to share our joy.

A bar or bat mitzvah, an engagement, a wedding, a brit milah or a naming all provide opportunities to share our happy times with family and friends.

The familiar sound of frailiche music at a simcha gets us up for a hora and raises our spirits as we leave our inhabitions behind.

Here are some thoughts and advice on simchas taken from interviews with seasoned simcha makers.

We must remind ourselves frequently while we are planning a simcha, what the occasion signifies.

A bar or bat mitzvah is a celebration indicating that a Jewish boy or girl has arrived at the status of religious responsibility. The birth of a child renews the miracle of life. And a wedding is the beginning of a new Jewish family.

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Consultants create themes, decorations

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

A relatively new concept in planning a party or simcha is engaging a party consultant. This new service caught on in the United States about 10 years ago and it now is becoming popular in Canada.

Over the past few years, more and more trendy magazines are appearing that focus on special-events coordinators who develop a theme and create the decorations and special effects.

Sondra Cohen and her partner (and fiance) Roger Greenberg own and operate Party Pazazz (656-8159). The firm specializes in creating original themes for bar and bat mitzvahs, house parties, club socials, baby namings, Sweet 16s and for just about any occasion.

"We customize everything," said Cohen. "This is a personalized service that starts with the planning and includes even the giveaway gifts."

Cohen, who moved to Toronto from Montreal 18 months ago, says she has enjoyed arranging parties and making the decorations from the time she was a child. She is able to visualize and see exactly what things will look like.

"It is a wonderful business because each affair is unique. It is incredible when it all comes together and we see the finished product."

Enthusiastically, she adds that with a little bit of imagination, almost anything is possible.

"We create everyone's fantasy. And we can work with almost any budget. First we sit down with our clients and get to know them. Then we discuss the different options. We give our clients a price for the entie job based on the amount of labour required."

For the bar mitzvah of a boy who loves basketball, Party Pazazz turned the hall into a basketball court. The centrepieces were large ceramic basketballs. For the adult tables, flowers cascaded out of the basketball.

A 40th surprise birthday party for someone working for the symphony who loves music, was designed around a music theme. Black-and-silver musical notes and instruments were hung from the ceiling.

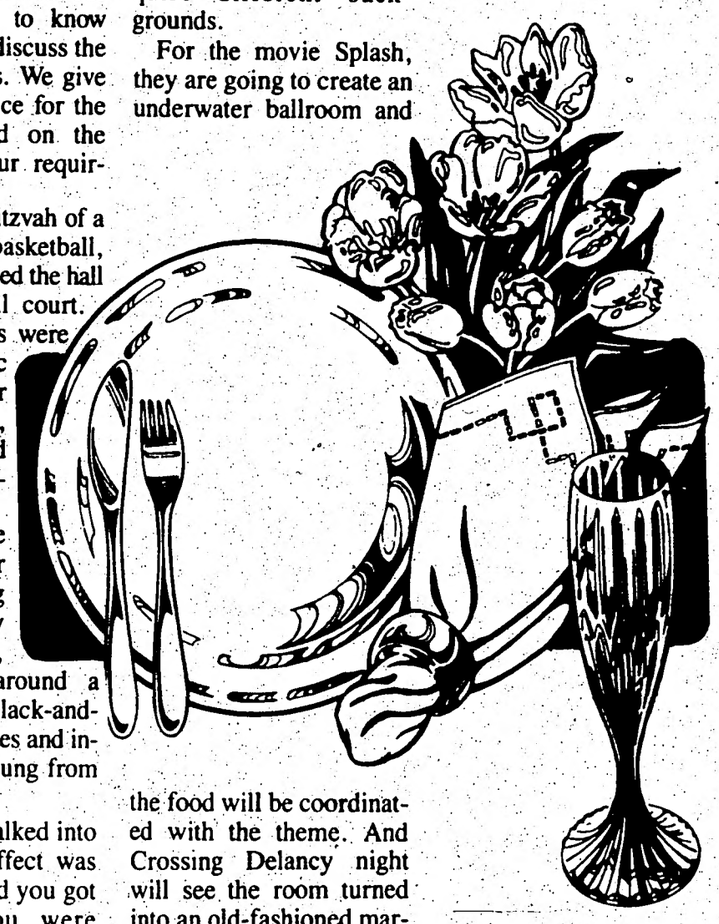
"When you walked into the room, the effect was very dramatic and you got the feeling you were floating."

The base of each centrepiece was a replica of a musical instrument such as a violin, guitar or a trumpet. Bouquets of black-and-white helium balloons floated from the instruments.

For the President's Dinner for the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Party Pazazz mounted a 12-foot, balloon shaped like a heart over the head table and the centrepieces were top hats filled with popcorn and bouquets of helium balloons.

And on the drawing board, are seven theme parties that they are organizing for Oakdale Golf and Country Club based on seven movies which require different backgrounds.

For the movie Splash, they are going to create an underwater ballroom and



the food will be coordinated with the theme. And Crossing Delancy night will see the room turned into an old-fashioned market with carts, produce and other theatrical effects.

Cohen notes that when the theme of a party is fun, it definitely affects the mood of the guests.

"They tend to be more relaxed and there is more dancing and kibbitzing."

Margi Oksner and Linda Farberman joined forces three years ago to establish Party Perfect Productions (731-4539). Both women studied interior decorating, were neighbors and friends and decided to become partners.

The dynamic duo blends their experience in interior decorating with their creative and organizational talents and specialize in working with their clients to make each event — bar and bat mitzvahs and any type of party — unique and memorable.

"Everything we do, we do in consultation with our client," Farberman said. "We custom-make all the decorations and centrepieces and give them suggestions for the entertainment."

For a bat mitzvah where guests were coming from every corner of the globe including Israel, India and Australia, they chose a global theme focusing on Israel.

Oksner and Farberman designed a centrepiece with a globe and rainbow-colored ribbon to symbolize a universal rainbow. And since the simcha was held about a week before Chanukah, Chanukah gelt and dreidels were incorporated into the decorations.

And for the bat mitzvah of a girl who loves the theatre, the centrepieces were ceramic masks with silver, gold and multi-colored trim. Pirouette dolls dressed in gold and silver lame were surrounded with fresh, spring-flower-arrangements in pinks and purples.

Along with private parties, Party Perfect Productions creates many theme affairs for communal functions including Aish Hatorah and Hadassah-WIZO.

Oksner says that today more and more people decorate the entire room as well as the foyer and even the bathrooms. She adds that balloon sculptures have become extremely popular and are being used as a backdrop for the head table.

"When we finish a room and it's fabulous, we experience a high each time — it makes us feel great and we love it."

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PARTY PLANNER

A return to big weddings

Bridal experts equipped to handle emergencies

By CYNTHIA GASNER

Most weddings take about a year to plan and in a few hours, it's all over. No matter how much planning goes into a simcha, there always seems to be some unforeseeable problems that crop up.

That's why more and more people are turning to bridal consultants who can calmly weather the storm, relieve tensions and make that special day run smoothly.

Shirley Ashley and Min Siegelman, owners of Two on The Aisle (733-8625 or 449-6255), are seasoned bridal consultants who work as a team. Over the years, they have handled many of those unexpected happenings.

"We had a wedding at the Casa Loma recently, and, to our astonishment, there was a cougar in the castle and we had to arrange to have him moved to another area before the guests arrived," Ashley said.

"We had one wedding where the flowers didn't arrive and we quickly obtained some artificial flowers — and not many people were aware of what happened.

"One groom arrived at his wedding and he was so excited that he forgot to shave. Luckily, we had a razor and cream with us in our bag of tricks."

Siegelman says that a consultant's job is to overcome those last minute emergencies without involving or upsetting the bride and bridegroom and the other family members.

Frieda Langdon (783-8700) walked away from a social work career when her son was born. Six years ago, she became a consultant, specializing in weddings and bar and bat mitzvahs. She helped her cousin arrange her wedding, and, by word of mouth, she began getting more and more requests.

Min Siegelman of Two on the Aisle is seen in Israel with newlyweds who emigrated from the Soviet Union.

Her motto is, "Always be prepared for the unexpected to happen."

She notes that today, where more and more parents of the bride and bridegroom are divorced and often remarried, special sensitivity and attention must be given to setting an atmosphere where all respective family members are made comfortable and can enjoy the simcha.

Langdon also notes that today, brides and bride grooms are older and far more mature and settled.

"Often they both have careers and know exactly what they want. And they are taking a far more active part in the planning of their own wedding."

She sees this as "a more positive situation" to see the entire family involved with the planning of a wedding.

"Years ago, the parents would plan the entire simcha and the bride and groom were excluded from most of the planning. It's a great change."

Despite the statistics, weddings are as popular as ever, and people have returned to big weddings. One of the biggest problems in planning a simcha is establishing a realistic budget, Langdon says.

Siegelman contends that the secret of success for bridal consultants is to make the members of the family feel like guests at their simcha.

"We usually meet with the family several times before the wedding to check on the arrangements."

Consultants can provide as many services as the people planning the function require. Some people have the time and experience and require less time from the consultants while others are working or don't have the confidence and require a number of services. It is the day of the wedding that is the most crucial.

"We work with people on limited budgets as well as those where no expense is spared," Seigelman said. "We believe that it is important to listen, and listen carefully. That way, the consultant can implement the wishes of both families."

The bridal consultants are there to guide the bride in choosing professional services including flowers, makeup, photographer, music and video. They also coordinate the catering and other professionals — including the music — with the serving — a very crucial part of a successful party.

"We are there with the bride and groom for the first meeting and remain in touch through the rehearsal. We spend the entire day of the wedding with the family, usually from noon until the wedding is over."

With Jews arriving in Canada from many parts of the world and practicing different customs and traditions, Ashley and Siegelman place great emphasis on understanding Sephardi, Ashkenazi, Orthodox and other laws and customs.

Recently, while visiting her son who lives on a kibbutz in Israel, Siegelman was asked to help with the arrangements for the wedding of two young people who had recently arrived from the Soviet Union.

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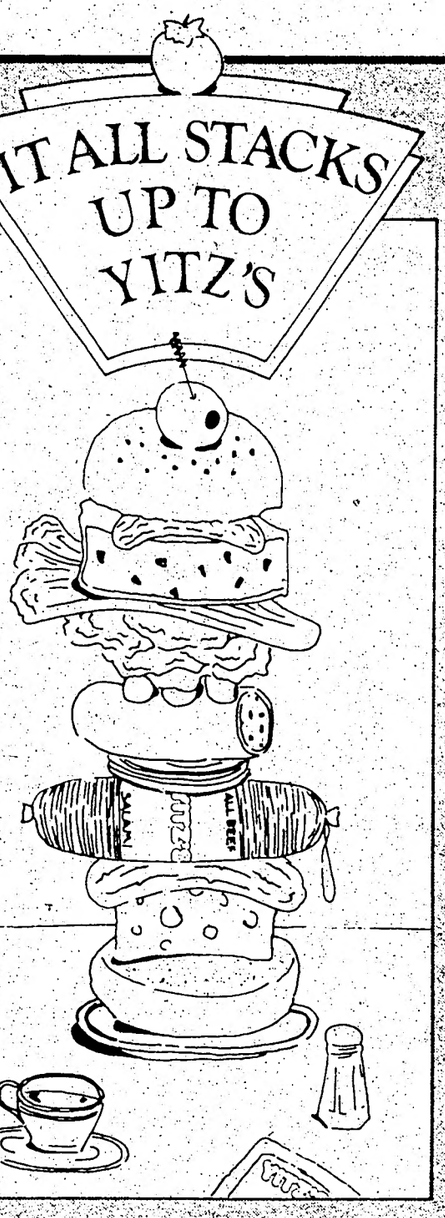

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Invitations create first impression but tasteful need not be costly

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

Barbara Mortfield prepares an order of personalized invitations for a client.

First impressions are important and the first impression you get about a simcha or party is the invitation.

"A simcha is a very important occasion and requires a great deal of thought and input," said Mal Dental, who with his wife, Edie, owns and operates Paper Ideas . . . A Step Above at 948 Eglinton Ave. W. (785-3660).

The Dentals specialize in invitations and carry numerous other items — personalized stationery, pens for addressing invitations, thank-you notes, greeting cards, diaries, tableware, napkins and paper dishes.

"Invitations are a reflection of the people who are making the affair. To help our customers, we have an extensive library of domestic and foreign invitations and protocols for our customers to choose from."

For more than 25 years, the Dentals operated Dial & Dictate Ltd., a typing and transcription business where they also designed announcements, letters and other printed materials.

"Many people came to us for advice at Dial & Dictate and we are now applying the same approach and concern to help our clients interpret what they need and the proper etiquette.

Dental emphasizes that when selecting an invitation, you don't have to spend a lot of money.

"It has to have a usefulness and attractiveness and be tastefully done with imagination and panache. Although people are spending more money, this does not necessarily make for a good invitation or function. A little creativity is more important than just spending the dollars to make an impression."

In the invitation business, he adds, it is important to listen to what a person wants and to give the customers options to help them achieve the effect for which they are looking.

Today, with a large variety of type-face styles and exciting colors, the selection is almost limitless.

He says that the trend today is to make things much simpler.

"There seems to be a current — a desire to get back to simple and more meaningful affairs. This is reflected in the selection of invitations by our customers."

Barbara Mortfield, who is in the personal invitation and stationery business, says that she finds that the trends in invitations follow clothing and decorating fashions.

"Today, pinks, grays and peach, as well as the traditional black and white invitations are very popular for weddings and bar and bat mitzvahs."

The attractive grandmother opened her business 21 years ago and operates her successful business from her home (738-1232). When her children were young, she decided to look for a career "to fill a void" that would allow her to remain at home.

"I love what I'm doing as much today as I did when I first opened. I've made many friends along the way. And I have had the opportunity of meeting wonderfully interesting new people, mostly from the Toronto and Montreal areas, but also from many small towns and cities across Canada where they do not have access to invitations and accessories with a Yiddishe-tum."

She says her business has blossomed "by word-of-mouth" and her customers include parents of bar and bat mitzvahs whose wedding invitations she printed, as well as those coming for wedding invitations whose bar and bat mitzvahs she did.

Over the years, along with invitations and business stationery, she has added other related items including seating cards, kippas and accessories.

Mortfield advises that when planning a simcha, "Try to work on a budget. There are beautiful invitations that won't blow your budget." She notes that it is not necessary to match the invitation to the color scheme.

Above all, she emphasizes, it is important to give yourself plenty of time.

"Start looking for invitations five or six months ahead of the simcha and order your invitations at least four months before the function."

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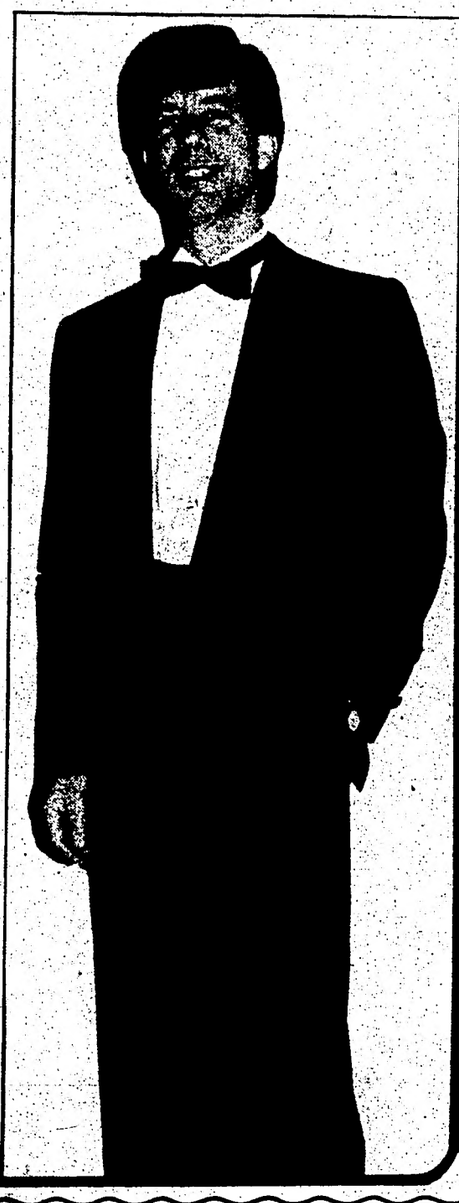

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PARTY PLANNER

From snowcone machines to tables

Rental companies have something for every event

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

You can find everything that caters to those party needs at several of the party rental companies from around town. From the tables to the cloths to the candy arrangements, everything that will top off all social functions are available.

The Candyman, a party equipment rental company, can make a child's head go round. From kosher candy floss, snowcone and popcorn machines to six-to-eight foot long candy tables, Jack Schnoll (789-7174) can make a kid's dream come true.

Catering to bar and bat mitzvahs, anniversaries, baby naming parties, Sweet 16s, and hostess baskets, these parties employ a wide variety of novelty ideas.

"We are venturing into personalized mugs filled with candies to give to the children in lieu of loot bags. Right now, we do have decorated gumball machines as grab bags," he said.

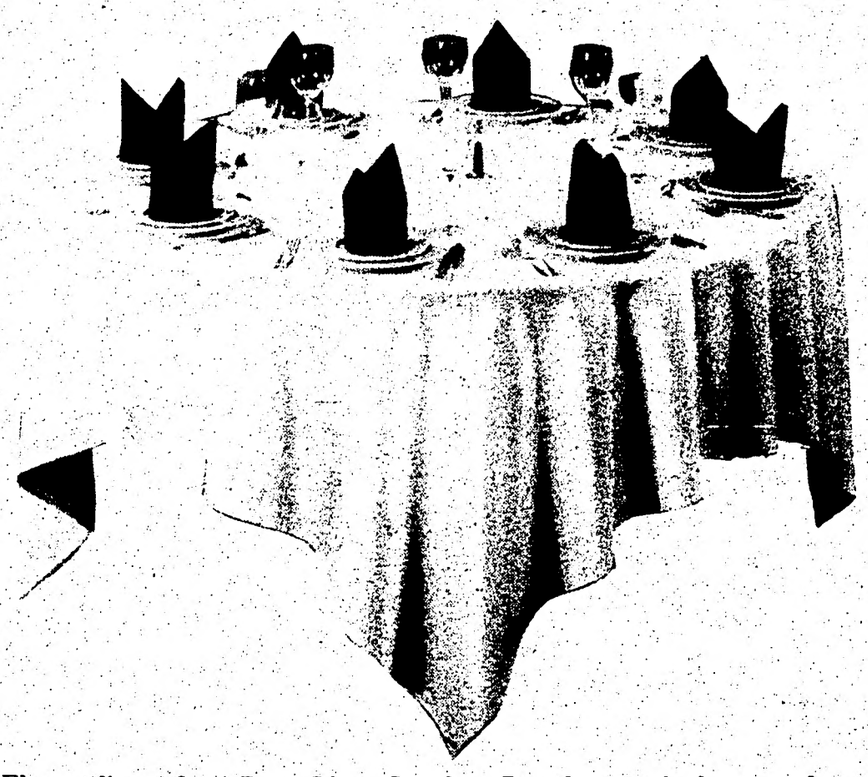
"In addition to the regular equipment, we also have basket and gift ideas, flavored popcorn, and cotton candy. No one ever tires of cotton candy!"

The company, which also does party consulting, urges customers to reserve party dates as soon as possible and the finer details can be discussed later.

For customer convenience, the company also works as a mediator between the client and other party services. So, if a disc jockey, a musician or a clown are required, Schnoll can coordinate things.

To rent equipment and a staff person to man the machine, it costs between $150 - $175 for the evening. Schnoll's people work together with the band and arrange to have The Candyman played while the candy table is being presented. Staff members also join in the fun by doning on a costume if it is a theme party.

"If the kids don't demolish the table then the adults will because most of the time they're worse than the children. After all, adults really are kids." Schnoll said.



Elegant linens from Party Linen Supply reflect the occasion's atmosphere.

To complement the right foods and decorations in the hall, party organizers realize that it is a must to have the right settings, chairs and even tables at the function. Higgins Party Rentals (241-8564) has just about everything for any event.

"We have tables, chairs and bar stools to silver serving dishes, china, cutlery and fine glasses. We are equipped to handle over 10,000 settings so a party of 1,000 people is no problem," Dennis Higgins said.

"Obviously, a cocktail party is different to that of a buffet or sit-down dinner. The average party we seem to do is around 80 people."

The changes Higgins has seen in the past eight years have been quite dramatic. For instance, candles are lower to the table while the higher ones have been moved to pianos.

Higgins said that mirrors are also being used more by hostesses to present food and as centrepieces. Even chairs have been changed from the fold- up bridge chair to something much more elaborate.

From inside to out, Higgins said that more than ever, the company is seeing an increase towards garden functions.

"We don't simply cater to adult parties — you would be surprised at how many children are part of that scene. Basically, what you're doing is making a fashion statement with the party room."

To coordinate the entire picture, the room would not be complete with bare tables and paper napkins. Linens, such as those offered by Party Linen Supply (422-3333), now are much more elaborate and detailed both in color and design. Hostesses are demanding differing shapes and shades for their linen table-tops.

The colors tend to be a little more off speed such as apricot, soft pink, blues, yellows, greens and turquoise, said company president Aube Weisman.

"You name it, we do have it. We can do 5,000 settings at once which translates into two or three parties on the same night."

Even the trend to the types of napkins are changing. If a lunch or brunch is being served, chances are the hostess will not want huge dinner napkins so they, too, have been scaled down to suit the occasion, Weisman said.

The type of cloth has also been altered to include the lighter weight materials such as polycotton instead of damask.

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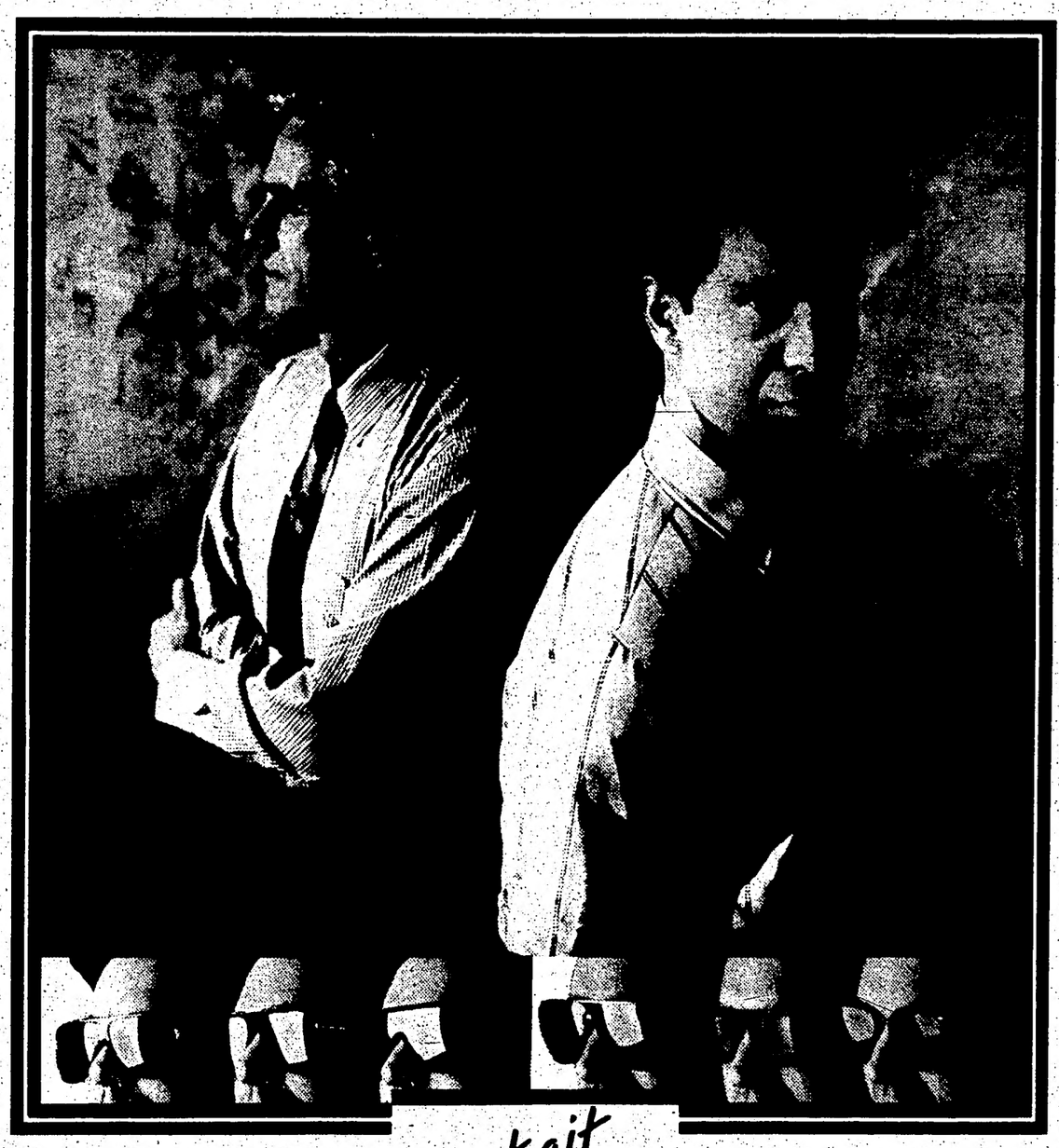

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Expert advice available

One-stop supply shops offer wide variety of goods

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

From invitations to table settings to favors, 1-stop party shopping lets you put your party in the hands of experts.

Blaine Rosenberg of Party Supermarket (630-4386) says "the thought of a party often sends hosts into a state of panic. With 1-stop shopping, however, everything is done for you. You just have to be there and have fun."

He says that most party shops are able to plan, coordinate and run any type of party from two to 600 people or more.

"Hosts can do as much or little as they want in planning their own party."

Brian Seetner of Party Packagers (631-7688) says that the first step in planning any party is the party checklist.

"If you want to run the party yourself but need help shopping, the checklist is essential. It lists everything you could possibly need for any type of party. Check off what you want, give us the list and we put it together.

Rosenberg says that children's birthday parties are "a tremendous market. We come in and decorate the home with streamers and balloons, provide all table settings, put together loot bags and can even bring professional clowns."

He notes that a Pierson the Penguin Party is extremely trendy.

"Everything is in the Pierson theme from invitations, tablecloths and napkins to loot bags and thank-you cards."

He says that adult birthday parties are also important and 1-stop shops are able to provide glasses, cutlery and china.

"We also work with caterers so we can arrange food and service help."

Rosenberg says that themes for an adult party often revolve around the guest of honor's hobbies.

"We can do sports, computer or a flower theme — anything the host prefers."

He says that in offices "everybody thinks the next person should plan the retirement party, farewell party or any other kind of party the business is planning. Just call, tell us the type of party and whether it is lunch, dinner or cocktails and we do the rest."

Seetner says those planning a children's Chanukah or Christmas party can do all their shopping at his 1-stop shop.

"We carry all decorations as well as presents in any price range to suit the budget."

He adds that 1-stop shopping means just that. "Enter a 1-stop shop and your next stop is the party."

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Florist sees circular trends

Flowers fresh, full, opulent

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

There have been vast changes in the trends that affect florists, said Patricia Patrick, owner of Mardi Gras Florists (438-1051).

"Sometimes the trends seem to go backwards while actually they go around in circles. Right now, we're back into a more Victorian phase — flowers are bigger and more opulent. For instance, bridal bouquets use full open roses dripping in pearls instead of the tight, non-frilly type that were popular a few years ago.

"However, this trend will swing, too. We are actually about two years behind European trends — even in flowers — because florist and flowers follow the fashion trends," Patrick said.

"Also, now more than a few years ago, people have a little more money to spend on flowers and more elaborate arrangements."

Patrick explained that most of the flowers today whether for bouquets, centrepieces or decoration carry a natural, unstructured look — basically, beautiful bunches of handcut flowers.

Mardi Gras' fresh flower arrangements are gaining in popularity.

"People are also paying more attention to colors. The pinks and mauves are popular and many of the more unique shades.

"As well, because people do have a little more money, they want more than just flowers. We are able to do arrangements that incorporate balloons and other attractions.

"It's always flowers and something. We also work with fruits, vegetables and berries. These are popular in the fall."

The use of fantasy/fabric/silk flowers have gone as far as they will go for now, Patrick said, but based on the changes in trends, their popularity might increase in a couple of years. Dried flowers are also incorporated into fresh-cut flower arrangements.

Even the busy months are changing in the business. She says that the summer months were the busiest but now with more second weddings, couples are planing the honeymoon around when the children will be in school, so the season has extended to December.

Patrick is a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers of which there are only 15 in Canada. She was inducted into the association two years ago after she designed in front of a 12-judge panel in Boston.

Her business caters to weddings, anniversaries and corporate parties, but she doesn't receive a great number of calls to do children's parties.

Karen Taylor, owner of Greene and Wilde, admits that she deals with three types of clients.

"First, the bar mitzvah mothers who want to make this occasion a party. They usually carry a theme like soccer, baseball or fantasy.

"These are great fun and we use lots of balloons or rolled up comic books and other things to make the party interesting. We also deal with people who want specific adult arrangements, and then the odd few who want flowers for everyone."

Taylor (886-3181) concurs with Patrick that trends do change at a somewhat rapid rate.

"Right now, people are swaying to the fresh, beautiful flowers and even they differ. We have so much available to us right now — from exotic, fresh flowers to dried, treated roses to silk or fabric flowers. Even then, people are drifting away from the silk because they are too expensive."

For events like bar/bat mitzvahs and other children's parties, Taylor and her crew do up arrangements that use extras like hockey sticks, balloons, glow sticks, glasses, stars and wands while people who want to create an elegant picture use things like overlays. Taylor described one set up that used a black table cloth with a chiffon piece overtop to lighten the effect.

"Basically people want something different, but at the same time, they don't want us to reinvent the world for them."

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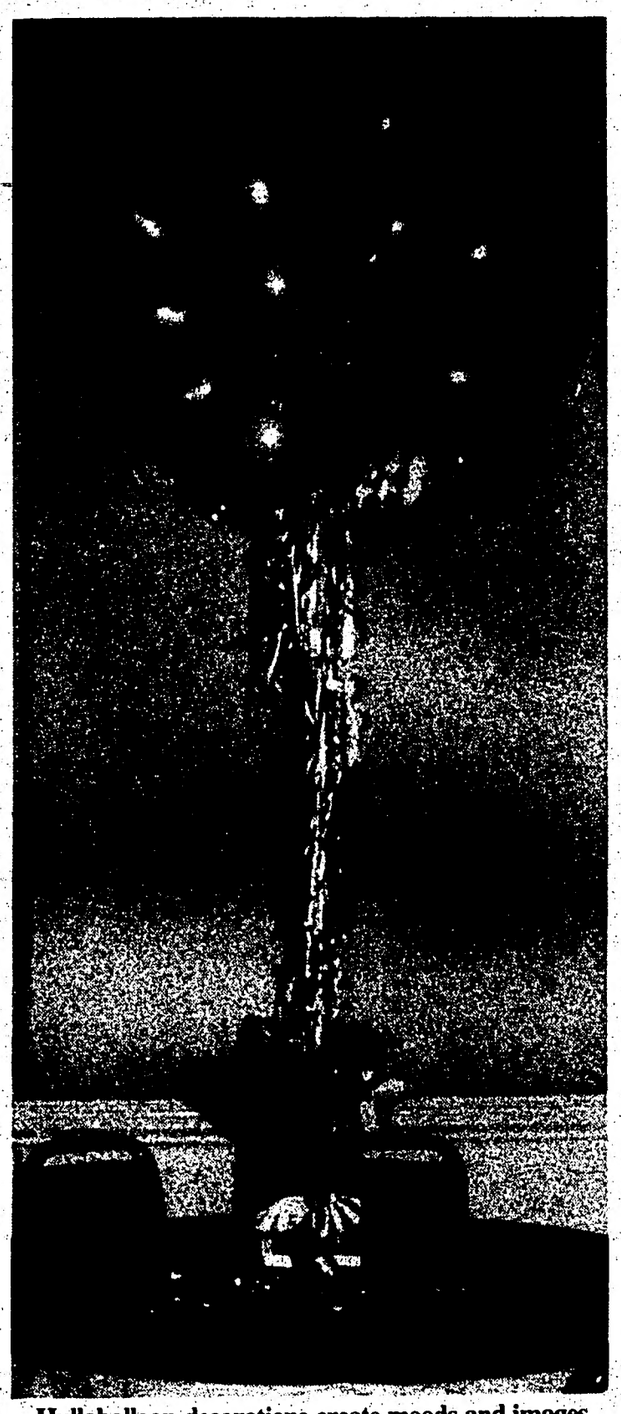

Hullaballoon decorations create moods and images.

Varied colors and shapes

Balloons can make any affair swell

By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

"You get more of a bang for a buck with balloons," Robina Bernard of Helium Hi's said.

The general trend for parties today seems to drift away from floral centrepieces and arrangements and clustered balloons to lavish decorations that incorporate both these traditional party ingredients, Bernard (670-1366) said.

"Today, a room without a balloon looks almost naked. Most of the companies that do the scene set-up hire us to complement that scene. The balloons are there to invoke a mood and we cater to just about anything."

Bernard described one of the parties that followed the whimsical and wonderful theme. The main balloons used that looked after the whimsy were peach and clear balloons decorated with white stars. The wonderful was taken care of with balloons of different colors and shapes that were grouped around the room in startling patterns.

Helium Hi's caters to all parties. From bar and bat mitzvahs to anniversaries and birthdays to Sweet 16 and corporate gatherings, Bernard's staff will design sculptures that enhance scenes and themes.

Sets the mood

"The biggest party we've ever done used about 70,000 balloons, and I guess the smallest is around 75. I would have to say that 99% of our events are for adults. Unless a mother is putting on a very lavish affair, she will get the tank and do the balloons herself.

"It is an incredibly high pressure job because helium only lasts for so long and we only have a certain amount of time to set up," Bernard said.

"On average, we require about one month's notice and then we arrange to meet at the site beforehand to plan the decorating. Today, working with balloons is an artform."

The owners of Hullaballoon (480-2122) would agree.

Brenda Rodine, Renie Hotz and Bella Seiden find that most of their ideas are derived from the customers themselves.

"People like balloons," Hotz said. "Generally, when people see them, their faces light right up — they are also attention grabbers. Flowers have become so common that they really aren't noticed. They are in the office, at home but balloons..."

Hullaballoon also caters to parties — bar and bat mitzvahs, anniversaries, birthdays, weddings and conventions.

Elegant, fairyland scenes

"The bar mitzvahs tend to be festive and theme parties are the general trend. These arrangements can incorporate themes like hockey, soccer — nearly every sport — the circus and dance, to name a few.

"For the corporate parties, we tend to go for oversized and splashy with things like balloon men or animals. However, balloons can also be elegant. It's possible to create a kind of fairyland scene that makes people just ooh," Hotz said.

"We incorporate baskets, flowers and on the bouquets we might use teddies or confetti — it depends on what the client wants, but basically, there are no limits."

Hotz said that the company generally likes to have from two-to-six-months notice and size makes no difference.

The largest function Hullaballoon has catered to was the Prime Minister's Ball which carried a comfortable four-digit budget while the smallest might be to set up a children's birthday party for 100.

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Hire professional staff to cater events

By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

The phrase, good help is hard to find is not always true.

For instance, when throwing any type of party or celebration, it is possible to call upon companies who do supply trained staff that will help to make the party a success.

Judith Blackman of Rent-A-Wife Inc. began her company (964-8913) to fill a gap in the market.

"The idea that one can be a guest at one's own party is gaining widespread appeal. On the other hand, there are those who enjoy playing the host or hostess but still would like to have some of the preparation, serving or entertaining done.

"Calls are coming in for everything from having silver polished and party-space decorated, to having a mime or clown to liven things up a bit," Blackman explained.

Home skills now salable

"Basically, the party staff is contracted out. Not only do I have gourmet chefs, but I also have people who will go in and make up salads and arrange platters. As well, servers, bartenders and dishwashers are available."

"Take Passover for example. Wives don't want people to go in and cook for them, but as they have just finished cooking for three days, the last thing they want to do is dishes. That's when my people take over."

In order to extend her company, Blackman also caters to the different ethnic themes. How about a Japanese birthday garden party served by staff members who come dressed in traditional costumes?

Besides birthdays, Blackman's staff also is available for weddings, anniversaries, corporate events and bar/bat mitzvahs.

"The name Rent-A-Wife has generated considerable debate because of its alleged sexist connotation. In fact, the name has always meant to suggest a subtle irony.

"Homemaking in the past has always been relegated to the wife of the male head of the household. It has never been considered a marketable skill," Blackman said.

"The idea that one could be willing to pay a decent hourly wage to rent a wife serves to elevate the tasks of the homemaker, whether salaried or not, to the status of a profession, lending dignity rather than degrading the traditional role of homemaker.

"They will provide anything a wife might provide while they earn a living doing full-time work."

A second company that provides a similar type of service is Waiters and Waitresses (730-1836), owned by Linda Kalchman.

The party personnel Kalchman hires out are bartenders, servers, valet parkers and dishwashers, to name a few.

Although her staff is available to do all types of preparatory work, there is a limit. The workers will help with food preparation but they do not actually cook the meals. Service catering rather than food catering is Kalchman's specialty.

"I have a list of about 100 people on reserve at any time so if someone calls in the morning, I can have someone there the same day. However, for the bigger parties, we do require advance bookings of at least 10 days." Kalchman said.

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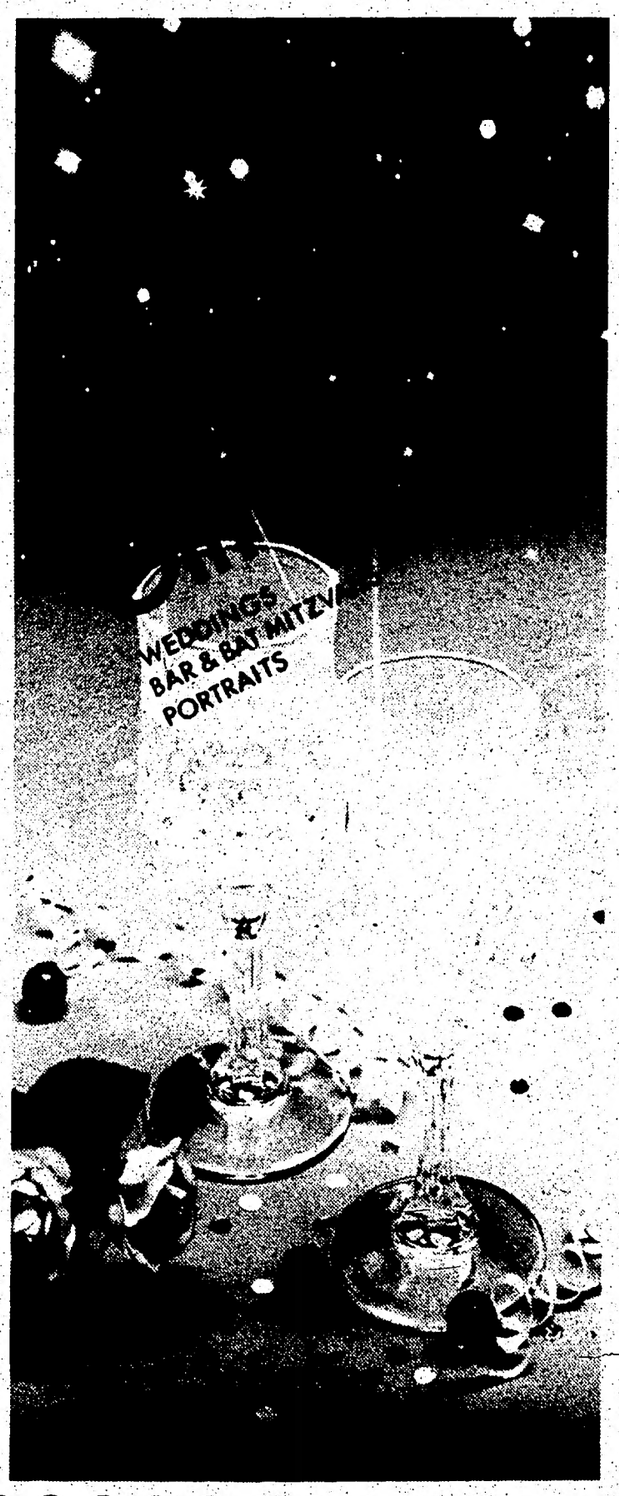

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Favors are last thing given, first thing remembered

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

They're not big or expensive, but they do help to make your party memorable.

Party favors are often the last thing you give your guests but the first thing they think of when remembering your party.

Joe Simone of Eastside Novelties (889-7777) says loot bags are big business.

"From games, puzzles and toys to books and crayons, loot bags make a child's party."

He adds that its not only the contents of the bag that count but also the bag itself.

"Some kids want their name on the bag or others want a theme such as Sesame (Street), Star Wars or computers."

He says that he can carry that theme into the small gifts.

"A Sesame bag could contain such things as a Sesame sticker, a small figurine or a Sesame tooth brush."

He says that by shopping in a specialized favor store, hosts with guests of various ages can save a lot of running around.

"Tell us the age of the children and we'll show you several favors they might enjoy."

Photographer Fred Nelson (886-3210) says a popular favor at bar/bat mitzvahs, weddings or birthdays is the photo favor.

"I photograph each guest and print their picture on such things as key chains, mugs, plates or even mount the picture in a frame. Guests love it and it's a memory that lasts forever."

He says he has done a lot of office parties.

"Seldom do people obtain pictures of their office staff. Coming home with a photo from an office retirement or Chanukah party often makes a bit hit."

Nelson says that a "great thing at a bar mitzvah is the candle-lighting puzzle. I take a picture of the child, cut it up and each time a candle is lit, the guest lays down a piece of the puzzle. If desired, we could provide each guest with a print of the completed puzzle. It's a terrific memory."

Simone says that what is special about favors is "you don't have to spend a lot and people love them. Even adults get a thrill out of leaving a party with a personalized pen, keychain or notepad. We have toys for a child's loot bag that cost as little as 15 cents and the kids love them. Chachkas are big business."

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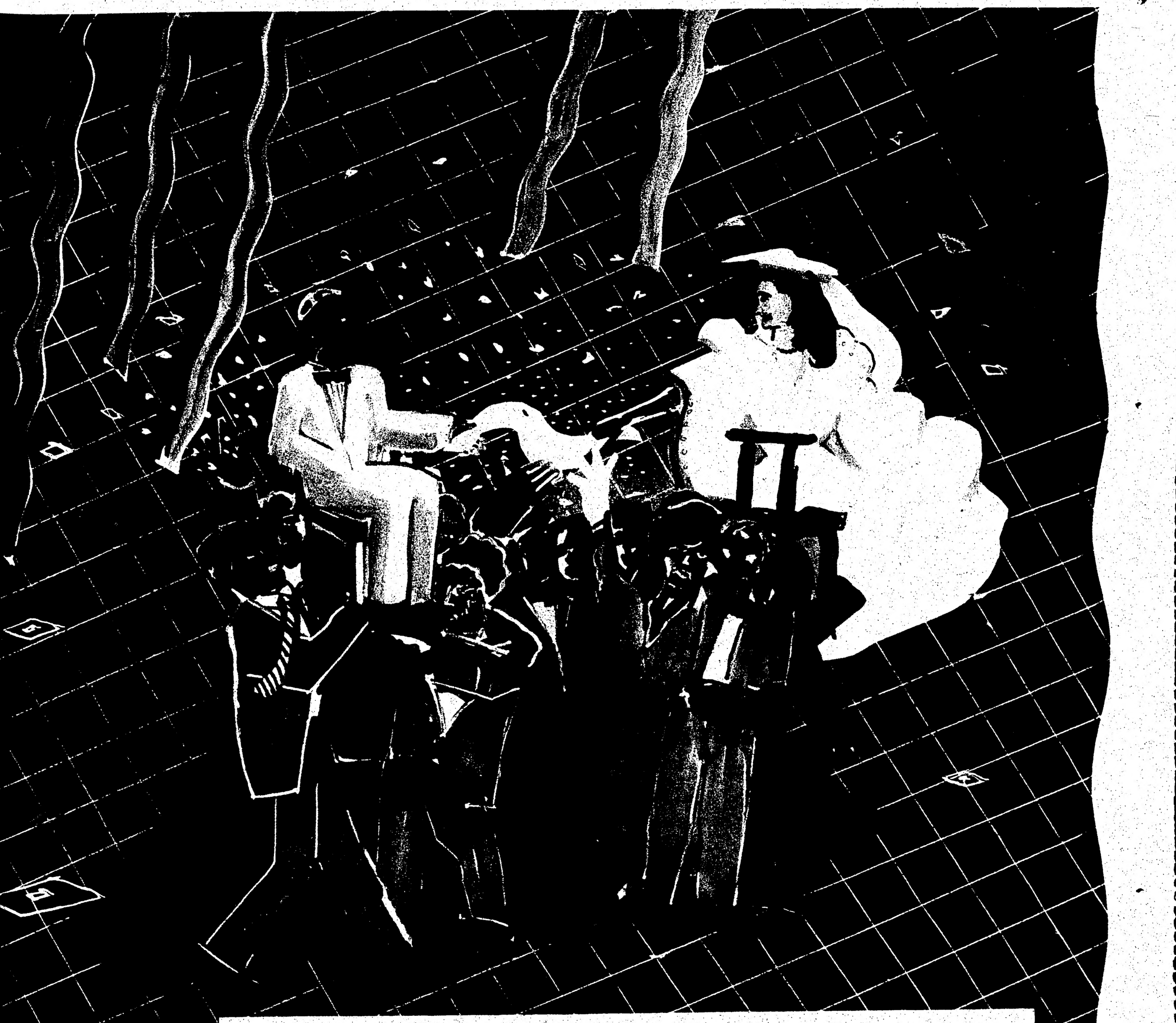

Simchas celebrate life

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All of these and numerous other happy events gives us the opportunity to express our gratitude that we have reached another milestone in our lives. How can we fail to enjoy these blessings?

Many people try to keep up with the Joneses. With the high cost of making a simcha, set up a realistic budget and try to stay within your budget.

When a simcha or party is over, it is wonderful to remember the ruach (spirit) of the simcha. If something was not perfect — the flowers were not quite the right color or the caterer forgot to put out the nuts — is it really serious enough to detract from the overall happiness of the party?

Experts tell us that it is important to be relaxed at your simcha. Your guests will respond to the feelings of the host and hostess.

A camera or a hired photographer can capture those special moments. And the infinite pleasure you receive from looking back through photographs becomes a cherished memento for you and for the generations to come.

If you don't have time or the organizational skills to arrange a simcha, turn to a professional consultant. It will save a lot of wear and tear on your nerves.

Don't leave things to the last minute. Prepare as much as you possibly can in advance and this will leave you free to enjoy your party.

The Talmud wisely advises us not to fail to enjoy every pleasurable moment.

Set your priorities in order and you will find that the small things that may go wrong are relatively unimportant. They will only affect your simcha, if you let them.

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Photographer Howard Levitt of Howard's Portraits snaps a joyous wedding dance.

Use photos to capture memories of the event

By CYNTHIA GASNER

After a simcha, photographs enhance the wonderful memories of the joyous event.

"People should be very selective about who they hire to do their photography," said Howard Levitt of Howard's Portraits at 894 Eglinton Ave. W. (789-2623). Levitt specializes in wedding, bar and bat mitzvah, and family portraits.

With the enormous cost of simchas, today more than ever before people are anxious to have their memories and details of the event captured on film, he says.

"Don't be lazy — spend the time to look at the product of the respective people you are going to hire. Don't choose someone just because they happen to be popular at that time. And check with people who have had a simcha to get their recommendations before making a commitment."

Levitt says that it is important to spend time early in the planning of a simcha to write out the list of pictures you want taken and review them with those who will be looking after the details on the day of the affair.

It is particularly important to carefully list the family groups and table photos you want taken and make sure that they are checked during the simcha so none are forgotten.

Levitt, who has been in the photography business for 21 years, stresses the need for careful scheduling.

"This is one of the rare times that you can get the total family together and dressed for a simcha. More than half of the photos are taken before the simcha, so make sure enough time is allocated for the portraits and family groups."

The psychology of taking pictures is important as well, he adds. One of the biggest problems for a photographer is the negative attitude that some people have to being photographed.

Barry Scheffer says retouching and print finishing is a true form of art.

"They actually psyche themselves up rather than look at it as fun. We try to relax them by kibbitzing and when it's all over, they tell us it wasn't really bad at all."

Being relaxed is crucial.

"You only photograph how you feel — if you are relaxed then you will photograph relaxed. Children photograph well because they have no inhibitions. Brides are beautiful because they feel beautiful."

Barry Scheffer, who worked as a graphic artist for 20 years, began doing photography 12 years ago and today operates Barry Scheffer Commercial Art & Photography (241-2922) where he combines both his graphic arts and photography talents.

"My graphic background has been very helpful in my photography — it just comes out in my work . . . in the composition."

Working from home, through referrals, Scheffer has built a busy career specializing in weddings and bar and bat mitzvahs.

"Don't shop price. Shop service. You wouldn't buy a dress over the phone so make sure you like the style and quality of the photographer. Look at his or her work."

Scheffer says he spends time explaining to his clients the importance of light, design, color and composition.

"I show them photographs and explain how certain effects are achieved."

He says that it is necessary to maintain some of the traditional methods in photography, "but I like to try new things as well. This way, I try to give the simcha individuality through photos."

He strongly advises that for weddings, a bridal consultant be hired. As well, he suggests that where possible, the bride's makeup be applied by a professional.

Scheffer, who notes that he remains at the party or simcha "from the beginning to the end," says he has to refuse business because he will only handle those jobs that he attends to personally.

Both Levitt and Scheffer stress the importance of hiring professionals.

"It is important to remember that it is a simcha. You've hired professionals to do the work — so just enjoy yourself and leave the worrying to us," Levitt said.

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Makeup artists can achieve best overall look for photos

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

For that special occasion you've turned to professionals to cater, decorate, take pictures and provide music. Why not let a professional do your makeup as well?

Makeup artist Gina Zacher (731-5238) says that many women are nervous the day of the wedding or bar/bat mitzvah.

"They worry about the food and the music and how they're going to look. Knowing their makeup will be done professionally is one less thing to worry about. They know they'll look great.

She adds that not only do women want to look their best in person they also want to photograph well.

"A professional makeup artist knows just how to achieve the overall look that best complements photographs. Shading of the cheeks and forehead is important and blush and powder should not be too heavy."

Zacher says that a makeup artist knows "how to really bring out a woman's eyes. Some women look great with a little heavier makeup while others would be better with a lighter touch. The artist knows what looks best."

Natural look is important

Sebastian Ferzo of Sebastians Hair and Skin Care (764-2525) says that the natural look is quite important today.

"Light brown, taupe, purple and earthy greens are big. When doing their own makeup the day of an affair, many women think the heavier the better. That is not necessarily true. Natural look is best for photographs."

He adds that sticking to one color combination for eyes, cheeks and lips is best for pictures.

"People viewing pictures will look at the whole face if all the makeup is properly blended. However, if the person is wearing a natural color blush and bright red lipstick all eyes will be on her lips. That is not good."

Zacher says that it is also important for a woman's makeup to blend with her dress.

"The same color she usually uses for evening wear may clash with the dress. Artists have every color at their fingertips."

She notes that a great bridesmaid gift is a professionally done makeup job.

"It's something they will always appreciate because, when they look back at the photographs, they will know they look their best."

Ferzo says that hosting a large party can be quite stressful.

"Knowing you are going to look great helps relieve a lot of tension."

Other makeup artists are:

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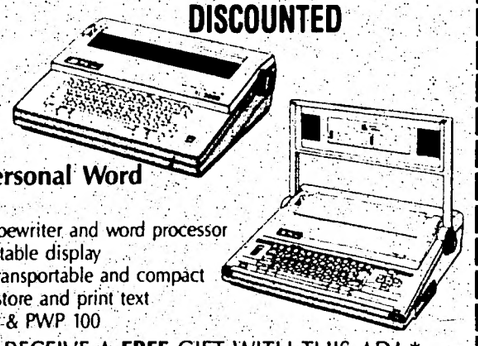

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Here's an alternative to drinking and driving

By CYNTHIA GASNER

Driving to a party or simcha and then getting back home can spoil a wonderful event.

For those who don't like to cope with heavy traffic, waiting in line to get out of a parking lot or looking for a parking spot, a number of transportation services are available to make things much more enjoyable and less stressful.

Valet parking, drivers and chauffered limousines are becoming more common and the cost is within reach of most people.

Jonathan Solursh and David Lipton operate Park-It Inc. (789-5663), a valet service that provides professional valet-drivers who greet guests, escort them to the door with an umbrella when it's raining and park the guest's car close to the party. And then they bring the car back to you when you're ready to leave.

After five years in the valet service business, Park-It has built up a clientele which appreciates the touch of class and glamor that a valet service adds to a party. And it indicates the consideration of the hosts.

"We help in other ways as well," said Solursh who also holds a flying licence. "We've sent our drivers on errands and on occasion we drive a guest home."

Park-It has 20 car jockeys and door people who have been trained to work as a team. Along with local clients, they provide a service to out-of-town guests attending a simcha. Recently, they had a request to mini-bus guests from place to place for a wedding that spanned three days of planned activities.

David Lipton (left) and Jonathan Solursh are owners of a valet service.

Jerry Dill of Surry Livery Service (595-1076) worked as a limousine chauffeur for five years. In 1978, he decided to open his own transport service and turned his efforts to building a business that trains full-time and part-time chauffeurs. He supplies chauffeurs who will drive a client's car or drive one of Surry's cars, limousines or executive mini-bus.

Many of the chauffeurs Dill trains are for a private individual or a corporation.

"If you are going to a party and you don't want to hire a limousine but you want a driver because you don't want to worry about parking or you will be having a few drinks, then Surry Livery can accommodate you," said Dill.

He explains that the service goes even further than that. If you want to use your own car, Surry will arrange to have your car picked up ahead of time, cleaned and fuelled at its depot located at the Village by the Grange, and then a chauffeur and your car will arrive at a prearranged time to whisk you off to your party — wait for you — and then take you back home.

"More and more people are requiring driver services when they are going to the theatre, a party or just shopping. And our drivers will even help a client with the shopping."

Added to his expanding services, Dill also provides transportation to guests attending a wedding, and on occasion he has been asked to transport out of town guests during their stay.

Surry's fleet of vehicles includes passenger sedans, stretch limousines and executive mini-buses which transport up to 10 people.

Most assignments are billed by the hour and the prices for an executive mini-bus are quoted by the individual's requirements.

Dill adds that his clients can pay at the time of service or they can be charged to a corporate account.

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Musical entertainment aids in the party's success

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

What party is ever complete without music?

When all the preparations have been made to select only the proper foods and decorations, choosing the right kind of musical entertainment is imperative. Without it, the party can be a flop.

For the past few years, a disc jockey service was preferable to that of a band, but the tide seems to be turning — trends now dance to a different tune.

Today's market has seen a recent upsurge in bands, and, true to that fact, choosing between the different types is difficult.

If music is not your forte, perhaps it would be to your advantage to seek the help of a professional in the field. Keep in mind that all bands must have a good danceable beat — if the band rocks, the dance floor rocks.

For a traditional Jewish gathering, the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band can provide some interesting sounds that will appeal to both young and old.

For the past two years, the entourage has played in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Halifax, Edmonton and Hamilton, catering to a wide range of functions — weddings, bar and bat mitzvahs, parties, clubs, concerts and bars.

"Klezmer music is Jewish roots music fashioned after an Eastern Europe dance — bulgar music would have been more popular in our grandparents' day. It is part of the social fabric in Europe," said David Buchbinder (538-0105).

"It's a hot, up-tempo sound that saw a revival about 15 to 20 years ago. Therefore, because of our specialty, it's easy for us to slip into swing and jazz. We do contemporary pieces as well.

"But the general trends seem to be drifting more and more towards the popularity of folk-based music. People are trying to discover their roots and Jewish people are doing the same thing," Buchbinder said.

"Things seem to be going in that general direction but bands develop their music in their own way."

"Personally, we have a big interest in both the private and public simchas. What we do is provide a function but it's more than that. We try to inspire that crazy, letting go edge in the guests."

However, The Rick Levine Band (881-6400) can provide a more contemporary musical tempo.

Rick Levine

The leader of the 8-piece dance band stresses the size of the band is important but also it depends on the size of the affair.

The vocalist said that the occasional afternoon luncheon could carry a singer without a band, but, he advised, it is recommended that there should be a minimum of two performers simply for versatility, said Levine who has played with big names like The Pointer Sisters and Tony Bennett.

"Next, in order to have the true musical dimension, the minimum dance combination should unquestionably be comprised of piano, brass and drum.

"A vocalist adds variety and personality to the music. If you are planning to have over 100 guests, a fifth piece should be considered. Any party which books in excess of four hours with 150 guests or more should be using a 6-to-8-piece band."

"Continuous music in which two separate bands perform in order to keep the music flowing nonstop is popular at the larger parties of 300 or more," said Levine who has done charity work for the Juvenile Diabetes and Baycrest.

However, the leader of another type of band might have to disagree with this point. One man is the extent of the act and from that point the equipment takes over.

Peter Sipos (923-2905) of Montreal is the one of his 1-man band.

"I play all the big parties, the bar and bat mizvahs, anniversaries and weddings. I am a multipiece orchestra," he proclaimed.

How does one person turn himself into an orchestra?

"I use synthesizers, drum machines and symbols and bass players. And then when all the sounds are combined, it does sound like an entire group."

Pick a language because Sipos can cater to many different nationalities. He is able to sing in Hebrew, Yiddish, English and French.

Size is of no importance to the the mainly rock and roll band. Sipos has played for 50 to 500 people and any number between the two extremes.

The number of bands available to choose from are astronomical and choosing one can be a difficult decision.

The experts agree that the hostess should assess the situation to determine what type of music would be the most popular for the occasion.

Regardless, booking in advance is advised to ensure that *the band plays on...*

The members of the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band include (left to right) Bob Stevenson, David Buchbinder, Victor Bateman, John Lennard, Allan Merovitz, Allen Cloe and Anne Lederman.

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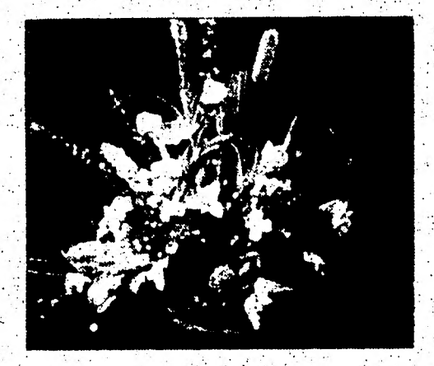

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PARTY PLANNER

From clowns to singing machines

Range of entertainment keeps children amused

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

The question is how to keep 30 children plus their parents amused at a birthday. Pondering that added attraction for a bar or bat mitzvah can also be a puzzle.

The answer is quite simple. Many young entrepreneurs are establishing companies that are designed to fill that party gap. For instance, one might try Shane Farberman who performs under the disguise of Doo Doo the Clown (226-1108) or Rick Flicht's Sing Your Heart Out entourage (591-7464).

Farberman has been clowning for the past 10 years and, as he explained, his act is quite elaborate.

"I do everything except for working with live animals. The reason behind it is that wouldn't be fair to the animals because I couldn't spend enough time with them. But, I do magic tricks, make balloon animals, illusions — it's a full kids variety show."

He does not limit himself to children's parties — Farberman is also available to entertain at corporate parties, store openings and many other types of parties. When things get too busy, clients also have the option of hiring Doo Doo's partners, Doo Doo Razzle and Doo Doo Sparkles.

Doo Doo the Clown enjoys clowning around at both kids' and corporate parties.

Doo Doo's special party kit

"I would have to say that about 80% of my business comes from the corporate sector. For a while there, it got so busy that people were under the impression that Doo Doo was hard to hire and really wasn't interested in the children.

"However, that was and is not the case. I cut back on a lot of the corporate parties so I could spend more time working with the kids."he said.

Some of the special attractions Farberman features in his act include the party kit. The package contains party hats and different party favors. Instant party.

"At times it can be a little difficult," the clown admitted. "I have to be able to amuse 1-year-olds but really I'm entertaining the parents. Then there are the parties for the 5-year-olds where I'm entertaining both the parents and the children, and on top of that, at bar and bat mitzvahs I have to perform in such a way that the children won't think I'm stupid."

At each birthday party — no matter what the age, Doo Doo presents the birthday person with a present. As well, everyone at the party receives an animal balloon.

Another option for the most memorable party on the block is Flicht's company that really does allow the guests to sing their hearts out.

"Kids who are at the bar mitzvah age really aren't into the boy/girl scene but they still need to have some way to have fun and expel energy," he said.

"Kids at that age can be destructive. So, what's a better way to get rid of that energy than stepping into a sound-proof booth, singing your heart out and walking away with a recording of your efforts?"

The process for setting up is very simple as the company looks after the shipping of the four brightly-colored red booths which features the child's name on the outside. There is a now serving sign that accompanies the entourage, so children are not left hanging around the area wondering when their turn will be.

"We thought this was the best way to keep the children still involved with the mitzvah. The whole thing is tasteful, fun and memorable. Our staff are outgoing, young and have experience with children. We make a very strong effort to keep the atmosphere relaxed and comfortable."

When the child's turn is up, he or she steps into the booth and is given a copy of the lyrics to the chosen song. Flicht stressed the fact that the booths are sound-proof. Afterwards, each child walks away with a recording of that song on a cassette — a personalized tape.

Sing Your Heart Out supplied extra entertainment at Marni Bleeman's bat mitzvah.

Latest Top 40 releases

Flicht termed the tapes party favors of the 90s.

"The advantage to this is that a lot of mothers have other stuff on their minds, so we look after everything for them. It's a great concept because even if the child has done this before at another party, there are still other songs to be sung and other friends to sing with.

"We have never not been a success at a party. We get all the children done first and then we slip in the adults. Later on, even the parents want to get in on the fun," Flicht said.

"A lot of the system is simply based on the psychology of being a kid. How do you keep a 13-year-old in control for four hours? Plus, it's really special for a mother to be able to put on a tape of her child singing. It's great hearing little kids singing songs like Great Balls of Fire."

The Sing Your Heart Out company has a full menu of songs from which to choose. Featuring everything from the latest Top 40 releases to rhythm and blues selections to the golden oldies, there is something for everyone.

The company also supplies the entertainment at graduations, corporate functions, New Year's parties, weddings, anniversaries and Sweet 16s, to name a few.

So, if you are at odds about what to do for your child's special occasion, both Doo Doo the Clown and Sing Your Heart Out are sure to be a smash hit.

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Speech writers can amuse audiences

Fear of public speaking shouldn't ruin day's events

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

A bar/bat mitzvah or wedding is a once in a lifetime event yet some people approach the big day with dread.

They don't know what they're going to wear, how they're going to write a speech, and, fear of all fears, how they're going to give a speech.

Fortunately, places such as the School of Speech and Drama (783-8190) or Laughter Unlimited (481-5026) ease those fears.

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Steve Shrott of Laughter Unlimited says his simplest task is to "take an already written speech and put some life into it. I add a little bit of humor and an ordinary speech turns into an interesting speech."

He adds that this often helps ease people's fear of public speaking because they know they're giving a good speech.

"People often fear speeches because they think they're going to bore their audience. If they know they are giving an interesting speech, however, their fears disappear."

Melanie Novis of the School of Speech and Drama says that not only does she help with speech composition, she teaches people how to present a speech.

"Even a great speech can leave an audience cold if the speaker is tense and nervous."

She says that if a speaker "looks calm and collected she will sound calm and collected."

Novis says that speeches are 7% impact, 35% vocal and 55% non-verbal.

"In other words, if a person looks prepared, he or she is prepared."

Novis adds that the way people dress, how they use their hands when talking and the way they look at the audience all affect the speech.

"I teach them what to wear for the occasion, how to gesture without appearing nervous and where to look when speaking. All these things add up to a natural-looking speech."

Shrott and Novis agree that when one has a speech written for them, it is essential for the writer to really get to know the guest of honor and family.

"For instance, if I am writing a speech for a roast I have to ask lots and lots of questions before I begin. Anything less would not make for a realistic speech," Shrott said.

Novis says that a good speech must reflect the entire family.

"I do research into the family and find anecdotes and interesting information. Straight, dry facts often read like a list. We want something more."

She stresses that when a host is prepared with a good speech and has learned how to act naturally, he or she can look forward to the big day with joy instead of dread.

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Small and large elegant functions

Five hotels with kosher kitchens ...

By CYNTHIA GASNER

Five of Toronto's world-class hotels have kosher kitchens that cater to the growing demand for gourmet kosher simchas and communal functions.

Six years ago, the first major hotel to build a separate kosher kitchen was the Constellation Hotel (now the Regal Constellation Hotel) on Dixie Rd. on the airport strip.

Three years ago, the Sheraton Centre Hotel on Queen St. W., in the heart of downtown Toronto, opened its kosher catering facility, followed by the Park Plaza Hotel on Avenue Rd.

Last year, the Inn on the Park at Leslie St. and Eglinton Ave. E. in Don Mills became the fourth hotel to install a full kosher kitchen, and in February, the newly built Markham Suites Hotel opened its doors at 8500 Warden Ave. in Markham with facilities for kosher catering.

The Markham Suites Hotel is the first all-suites hotel. It has state-of-the-art fitness facilities, squash courts, a private spa, pool, 24-hour room service, 14 meeting rooms ranging in size from 600 to more than 4,000 sq. ft. and a Japanese Garden which can accommodate up to 300 guests.

These fine hotels can accommodate small and large elegant weddings, bar and bat mitzvahs, cocktail parties, conventions and communal dinners.

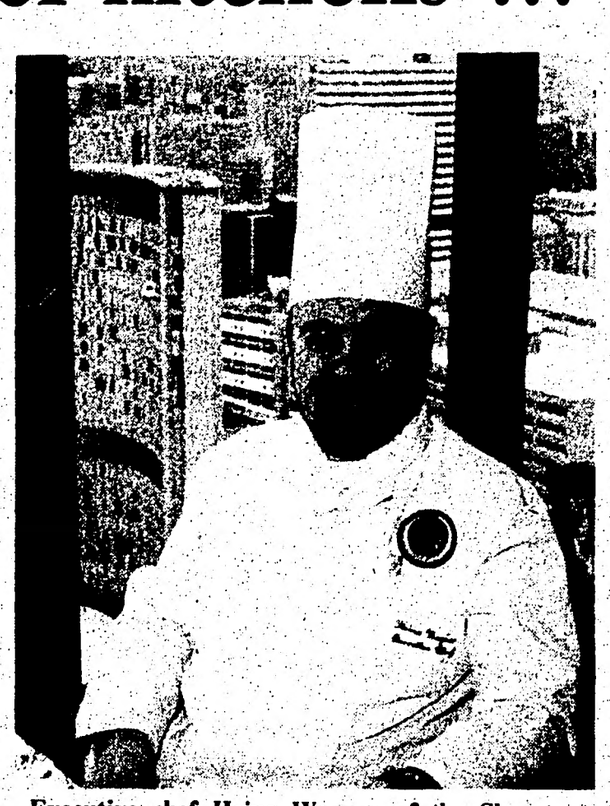
Before separate kosher kitchens were opened, hotels turned to outside caterers who prepared the food at their own kitchens and then brought the food to the hotel, where it was warmed and served.

With the convenience of in-house facilities and the increasing number of kosher products available, chefs now are able to prepare gourmet kosher dishes that rival their other non-kosher banquet and dining facilities.

The CJN asked the chef from each of the five hotels to submit one of their favorite kosher recipes. The "menu" they submitted for our progressive dinner features Medallions of Salmon with a Cucumber Mustard Sauce by executive chef Heinz Wagner of the Sheraton Centre Hotel, Black Bean soup with Pepperoni and Coriander from Park Plaza's executive chef Peter Oldfield, and a choice of main courses Medallion of Salmon with caviar, a specialty of Markham Suites' chef Serg Dasvin, and Chicken Ballontine from Josef Vonlanthen, the executive chef at the Regal Constellation Hotel.

Lino Ferreira, the director of catering at the Inn on the Park was unable to provide a recipe for our progressive dinner explaining that the hotel's executive chef, Gunther Lorscheidt, was heavily involved with the preparations for the first anniversary celebration of the hotel's kosher catering facility.

Here are the recipes from the four award-winning chefs.



Executive chef Heinz Wagner of the Sheraton Centre is seen in the hotel's dining-room.

Medallions of Salmon with a Cucumber Mustard Sauce

3 cucumbers
¼ tsp. salt
1 tbsp. Dijon mustard
2 tbsp. mayonnaise
Coffee Rich
12 ozs. salmon (no bones)
¼ red pepper
¼ yellow pepper
¼ green pepper
4 leaves Oakleaf lettuce (type is optional)
4 sprigs dill, fresh
1 white onion
1 bay leaf
¼ tsp. crushed black peppercorns
1 cup dry white wine
1 cup fish stock
Salt and pepper

To make cucumber mustard sauce peel, seed and chop roughly two cucumbers. Put into strainer and salt slightly to get rid of water.

Blend the cucumber to a puree and add Dijon mustard and mayonnaise. Season to taste and add a little Coffee Rich to bring to proper consistency (not runny but pours easily).

Season salmon with salt and pepper. Poach one piece of salmon in a Court Boullion* and allow to air dry for a few minutes.

Place salmon in freezer. Slice salmon into ½ inch thick pieces.

Put sauce on plate. Place salmon on sauce.

Garnish with cucumber sliced on a diagonal and hollowed with julienned red, yellow and green pepper flowing from hollow cucumber. All are placed on lettuce.

Garnish sauce with sprig of dill.

*Court Boullion. Add together onion, bay leaf, crushed black peppercorns, dry white wine, and fish stock. Simmer.

Serves eight.

Black Bean Soup with Pepperoni and Coriander

1 cup black beans
5 to 6 cups of chicken stock
2 small or 1 large pepperoni
1 bunch coriander
1 tbsp. margarine
¼ red pepper
1 small onion

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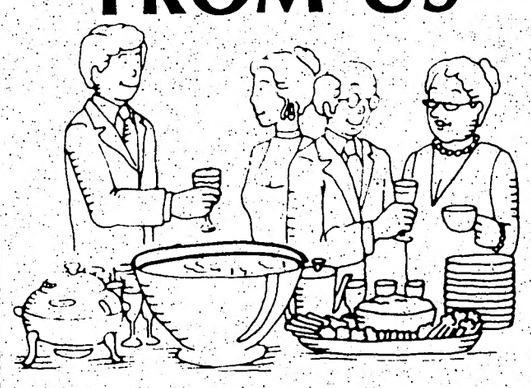

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Salt and cayenne (to taste)

Soak the black beans in cold water overnight.

Simmer the finely chopped onion in margarine until transparent. Add ¾ of the chicken stock and the drained black beans. Let simmer until the beans are soft.

Fifteen minutes before removing soup, add the whole pepperoni. Take pepperoni out of soup. Dice or slice pepperoni and keep warm in a separate container.

Place soup into the food processor and blend. If soup is too thick, add leftover hot chicken stock until right consistency.

Mix in chopped coriander. Keep six sprigs of coriander for garnish. Reheat soup. Add pepperoni, salt and cayenne.

Sprinkle with finely diced red pepper and place coriander on top. Serve hot.

Serves six.

Medallion of Salmon with Caviar

36 ozs. fresh salmon
6 tbsp. salmon caviar
12 tbsp. dry white wine
24 ozs. fish stock
3 tsp. chopped shallots
6 tbsp. corn starch

Cut 12 slices of salmon, three ounces each. Roll them in a circle to make round and hold with a toothpick.

Put the salmon on a hot grill to make a lined design. Put the salmon in a pan that has been greased with margarine or oil. Sprinkle with shallots and place in oven 400 degrees F for 15 minutes.

Remove the salmon from the pan and add the white wine and fish stock. Thicken slowly with corn starch. Add salt and pepper to taste. Just before sauce thickens, add caviar and mix.

Place sauce on a plate and add rolled salmon on top.

Serve hot with carrots, snow peas and potatoes.

Chicken Ballontine

2 boneless breasts of chicken flattened
2 tbsp. diced onions
1 bay leaf
1/3 cup raw long grain converted rice, wash well and drain
2/3 cup chicken stock
1 tsp. margarine for brushing and
1 tsp. margarine for frying
1 oz. dried figs cut in wedges
1 oz. soaked raisins
1 oz. soaked currants
1 oz. dried apricots soaked and chopped
1/2 oz. slivered almonds

Sauce:

2 tbsp. diced onions
1 oz. vermouth (dry)
6 ozs. of chicken demi-glace*

To make rice filling, sweat onions (fry onions in margarine until transparent). Add bay leaf, rice, chicken stock and simmer for 15 minutes. Add dried fruits and cook another two or three minutes until rice is done.

Remove from pan into a bowl and add almonds. Allow mixture to cool.

When cool, form into three even-sized round balls about two inches in diameter and place on top of chicken breast.

Fold edges of chicken breast around ball of rice and form a round ball. Cut a piece of silicone or wax paper 1 inch by 10 inches and wrap around chicken breast to hold in shape.

Season chicken breast lightly with salt and pepper and brush with margarine.

Roast in oven 325 degrees F for about 45 minutes. Brush with margarine during roasting and when roasting is complete.

Remove from pan and pour off most of the chicken fat, retaining one teaspoon of fat. Add two tablespoons diced onions and fry until transparent. Add vermouth and chicken demi-glace and bring to a boil.

Season with salt and pepper and pour over Chicken Ballontine.

*Demi-glace: Roast eight ounces of chicken bones uncovered at 400 degrees F until light brown. Add ½ onion diced, ½ stick of diced carrots, 1/3 stick of diced celery. Return to oven until mixture turns dark brown. Add one tablespoon tomato paste. Roast for another two minutes and add two ounces water. Add one ounce flour and slowly stir in 12 ounces more of water.

Transfer to a stock pot and season with salt and pepper. Simmer for an hour. Strain and retain the liquid.

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Hi-tech travel adds spice

Specialized activities make kid's events unique

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Blasting into the year 2019, battling space invaders or whizzing down a loft into freshly-tossed hay — for a birthday party?

Specialized parties for children seem to be the newest rage today. The theme parties of yesterday are strictly something parents encourage to keep 25 8-year-old children amused until the birthday supper — dogs and burgs.

And who will ever forget the cleanup that had to be done when the little darlings departed? Ketchup on the ceiling, paper plates with half eaten buns and melted, pareve ice cream and pieces of popped balloons on the living room floor.

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Each child is given a loot bag that contains $5 of tokens for the video games, and can have unlimited soft drinks, ice cream and cake. The food area is in a party room in the basement that has the capacity to hold 300.

"We have now started to give away a little grab bag. It's rather hi-tech — made out of shiny material with a drawstring. Inside, there is a real, regulation pin ball and a little chocolate card," Fromm said.

"For the birthday child, he or she will receive two free tokens a week for a year. Everyone goes away with a smile and a keepsake."

If the birthday child is a real space nut or Star Trek fan, how about a birthday party in space?

Tour of the Universe will arrange a special birthday bash for the gang that will take them to Jupiter and back.

"It is basically conducted on the normal tour route but the birthday child becomes a birthday cadet who receives a button, a personalized birthday wish and a direct call can be made to Captain Moses before blast off," said Jean Geary from Tour of the Universe (364-3134).

The trip itself has room for 40 while the facility can cater to up to 200 people.

In order to clear Customs and Immigration at Spaceport T.O. Canada, enroute to Jupiter, be prepared to show the computerized 3-D Security Pass. Tour of the Universe is located at the base of the CN Tower.

After the supervised flight, the party group can amuse themselves in the video cave and the gift shop that features a selection of futuristic keepsakes.

For those youngsters who are more interested in keeping their feet on the ground and travelling to a peaceful country setting, Chudleigh's Apple Farm is the place to go.

The farm (826-1252) features something for the whole family. There is a children's barn, bake and gift shops, a lunch counter, and, in the summer, a small art gallery.

Activities that are sure to entertain the entire birthday group are horse and wagon, hay or buggy rides, sliding down the loft into the hay, building hay forts or visiting the animals.

"This is something different — it's a casual day in the country for the group," said farm coordinator Shirley Rosenbersky.

"I'll always remember a little 8-year old coming up to me and asking, 'Is this real hay? Are you sure?' For people in the city, the farm is a break — it's not as fast paced."

The children are urged to dress casually as petting goats and looking at geese and baby chicks are not activities that require a frilly dress or a suit.

The farm can accommodate a number of people — from six to 40. After the tour has been completed, a birthday lunch is served in the Grainery.

"After lunch, the children can open gifts, play in the barn, visit the wigwam, watch apple pies being made by hand, play with the two golden labs or take a pony ride," she said.

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Daughter's wedding symbolic for mother

By
SISSY CARPEY

On my living room wall, among the paintings and prints that adorn my home, and as suitably framed as its more "important" neighbors, hangs a circle of dried roses, which formed a crown and was a symbol of a special moment in my life.

When that circle of flowers was fresh and new, it was placed on my head by a bride and bridegroom, my children Laura and Stuart, while my other children danced around my husband and me, and the band played an Eastern European klezmer song, Die Mezinke Oisgegeben.

The occasion was the wedding of my last child.

The crowning ceremony came late in the wedding (it is traditionally the last dance), and guests were starting to leave. I was so excited at what I knew was coming that I found myself imploring my wedding guests to stay.

"I'm going to be crowned! Please wait! I want you with me."

I write this article many months after the wedding, and still, I feel myself welling up in tears when I remember the crowning ceremony. I felt a sense of completion, a sense of joy, of what my parents would have called "naches fin kinder." I had lived to take my last child to the wedding canopy.

Though the band leader at my son's wedding wisely did not sing the words to the song (because no more than 10 people at the wedding would have understood the Yiddish), he did play the music.

The tradition of crowning a Jewish mother comes to us from Eastern Europe, and while some of us are comfortable with the traditions of the shtetl, others are not.

The day after my friend Ruth's last child got married, her nextdoor neighbor came dancing into her bedroom, where Ruth was taking phone calls of congratulations, did a little song and dance around the bed, and placed a crown of flowers on my astonished friend's head.

Ruth had said, "no, thanks," when asked if she would be crowned at her son's wedding.

I was not the neighbor who took it upon herself to crown my friend, but only because I didn't think of it.

I show up in wedding videos as the guest who gets in the way of the photographer whenever a friend or relative is crowned. I am always part of the circle of dancers, and one of the first to rush up to the newly crowned mother to wish her mazel tov.

Like many customs rooted in the past, the crowning ceremony is hard to trace. And, like many customs rooted in the past, it is in danger of extinction.

Sophisticated North American Jews are sometimes embarrassed when asked to sit in the centre of a circle while wedding guests circle them to music that reminds them of shtetls, pushcarts and tenements.

Others insist that the custom of crowning is sexist. It is the mother who is honored for having raised her children and married off her last child, while the father, who one band leader describes as "sitting next to her like a yutz," is ignored.

But Dr. Paul Fink, a Philadelphia psychiatrist whose command of the Yiddish language and love for Yiddishkeit attest to his immigrant roots, thinks customs like the mezinke are as valuable today as they ever were.

Fink, who is president of the American Psychiatric Association, and chairman of the Department of Psychiatry of Albert Einstein Medical Center and Philadelphia Psychiatric Center, said: "One of the wonders of Jewish traditions is that they generally capture ideas that are psychologically sound. An example is shiva.

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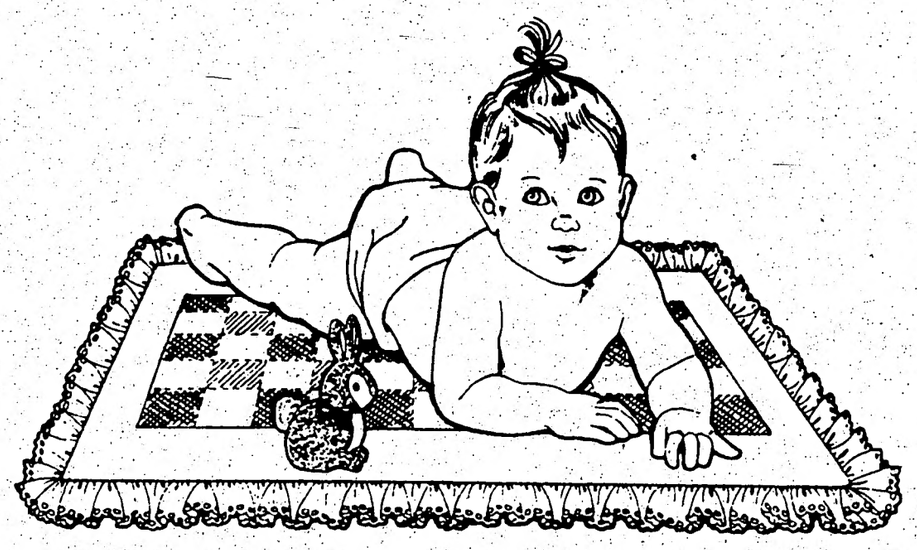

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"Long before we knew how psychologically important 'talking it out' is to the mourning process, we Jews, by observing shiva, were helping each other get to the next stage. It's as psychologically sound and relevant today as it was hundreds of years ago.

"The crowning ceremony has the same significance. Here is a community saying, 'We recognize that you have come to a pivotal point in your life, one that has both positive and negative aspects. We want to honor you for having reached that point.'

"It's easier for parents to 'let go' if they are rewarded by their own community, if the moment of the empty nest is seen as a positive, and is celebrated as an honor for the parents."

But what about the criticism? Is it enough to keep the crowning ceremony alive because it's a custom? Or, as Fink says, should we cling to this remnant of a different time because it's a psychologically sound idea?

It's no sin to change a custom to make it work for our own time. As a matter of fact, it's always been done.

Many bands have switched from Die Mezinke Oisgegeben to using music from Fiddler on the Roof when they do a crowning ceremony.

The purists may mourn the loss of authentic folk music, but there's nothing wrong with using music from a Broadway show like Fiddler. In fact, that's right in the tradition of The Mezinke Oisgegeben.

Ken Maltz, an American scholar of klezmer music, says the custom of honoring parents when they took their last child to the chuppah is probably several hundred years old, but the song, Die Mezinke Oisgegeben comes from the Yiddish theatre.

Maltz says that the song was composed by Mark M. Washawsky, who lived from 1840 to 1907, and speculates that it was written in Europe, and brought here when Washawsky emigrated to the U.S.

The mezinke ceremony took many forms in our Jewish past, Maltz says. In some areas, both parents were given bouquets of flowers, and in other areas, the mother was crowned.

During my crowning, both sets of parents sat in the centre of the circle, even though the parents of the bride were not marrying off their last child. Then, children from both families made a circle around us. It was an emotional joining of the two families.

Originally, the 'mezinke' was the last daughter, not the last child.

We can cry sexism not only because the mother gets the crown while the father sits awkwardly by her side, but also because the origin of the custom is relief at getting rid of your last daughter!

Even in Europe before the great migrations of Jews, the custom had changed so that your last child, son or daughter, was the mezinke. That particular piece of sexism is no longer applicable, but economic relief may still be part of the joy.

Today, instead of celebrating the last dowry, you may be joyful that the last college tuition is paid, and empty nest means time and resources for mom and dad.

And what about the cry of sexism because the mother is the one honored for having raised her children? That, too, may be a recent development.

A description of the ceremony from the book, The Marriage Anthology, by Philip and Hanna Goodman, published in 1965 by Jewish Publication Society, says that "a father rejoices that God has granted that he has seen with his own eyes that his youngest daughter is married."

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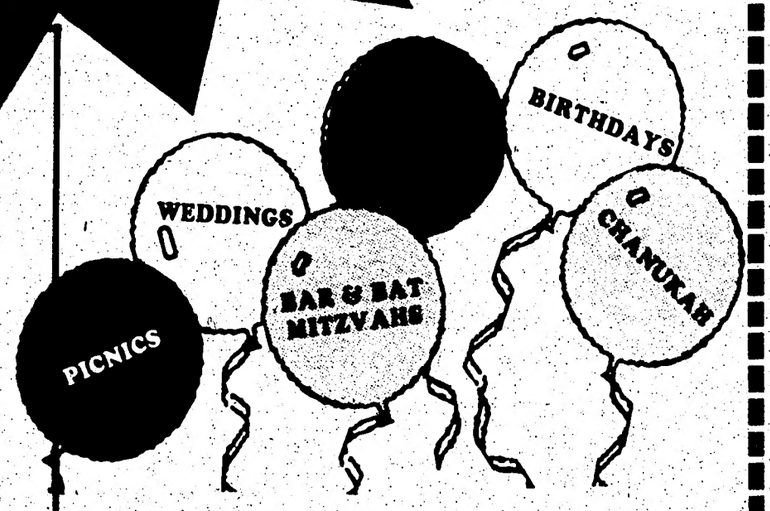

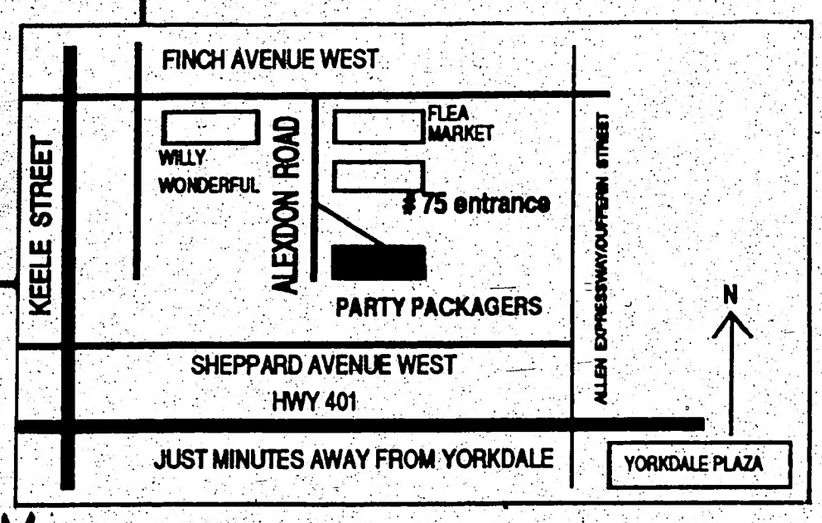

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